



George N Parks DRUM MAJOR ACADEMY®

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Dear Academy Student,

Thank you for registering for the 2018 **George N. Parks Drum Major Academy®** at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, Arkansas. It should prove to be an exciting week. We have included in this letter all the information that you will need before arriving in Fayetteville, Arkansas, on Monday, the 18th of June. **READ IT CAREFULLY**, and have your parents/guardians read it. Be sure to bring this letter with you to the Academy. You will be responsible for everything included here.

CHECK-IN:

**Student tuitions must be paid in full prior to student's arrival at the Academy.
No tuition payments will be accepted at check-in.**

Check-in for all participants will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 18th in Maple Hill East Dormitory (1261 W. Cleveland St. Fayetteville, AR 72701-1785).

Dinner will be available to students during check-in. Please plan on getting to check-in early, as you will want time to eat before the first session, which will be held that evening at 6:30 p.m.

You will need to have a notebook and writing implements for this session. Drum Major maces/batons will not be needed until the second day.

TRANSPORTATION

If you are arriving by car:

From the South: Take I-40 to I-540 North (exit 12). From I-540 North to Razorback Road (exit 61). Turn right on Razorback Road, heading north. The campus entrance is located at the corner of Razorback Road and Sixth Street (also known as Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Boulevard).

From the North: After Bella Vista, take I-540 South all the way to Fayetteville. From I-540, exit Hwy 112 (exit 66). Turn right on Hwy 112 and travel south for 2 miles until you reach the campus entrance at the corner of Garland Avenue and Cleveland Street. (After crossing the North Street/Wedington intersection, Hwy 112 becomes Garland Avenue.)

From the East: Take Hwy 412 to I-540. See directions from north.

From the West: Take Hwy 412 east via Cherokee Turnpike from Tulsa, Okla., to I-540 South. See directions from north.

Please note: Directions above are to the main entrance of campus only. Please use the campus map included with this letter to get to the assigned dormitory.



If you are arriving by airplane:

Your final destination is the Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport (XNA). You can find a list of shuttle services on the Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport's website at <http://www.flyxna.com/getting-around/buses-shuttles-taxis/>. The Drum Major Academy® has no affiliation with any of the transportation services listed on the Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport's website.

PARKING

Specific parking area(s) have been assigned to the Academy by the University. Although we recommend having a parent/guardian drive you to and from the Academy, students driving themselves to the Academy must use these assigned parking lots. Students can get information on where to park their cars from a staff member during check-in on the first day.

If you park in any area not specifically designated for the Drum Major Academy® you may be subject to having your vehicle ticketed or towed at your own expense.

HOUSING

Separate areas in Maple Hill East Dormitory (1261 W. Cleveland St. Fayetteville, AR 72701-1785) have been set aside for males and females. Students are supervised by DMA staff, males for males and females for females.

Dorms do not provide linens. You must bring sheets, blankets, pillows, towels, and an alarm clock. *Remember, Drum Majors are never late!*

Check-out will be Friday, June 22nd immediately following the closing session. The closing session will begin at 11:00 a.m. and last for approximately one hour. All students must check out and return keys and meal cards as directed. **There will be a \$150.00 charge for any keys or dorm access cards not turned in at check out on June 22nd.**

ROOMING ASSIGNMENTS

Rooming Assignments will be made in advance according to Drum Major Academy® policy. Students will be housed with students from other schools in order to enhance the experience of meeting new friends and working with new people. This is a firm Drum Major Academy® policy.

HOUSING ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE CHANGED. PLEASE DO NOT ASK.

MEALS

All meals will be eaten in the university dining hall. The \$525.00 fee includes tuition, housing, and meals beginning with Monday dinner through Friday breakfast. Again, please plan on arriving to check-in early if you would like to join us for dinner on the first day.

TELEPHONES

In the event of an emergency, the number for the Campus Police is 479-575-2222. Students may bring cell phones; however, students are not to use phones during sessions or after lights out unless there is an emergency.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

Any medical emergencies that arise will be handled through the Pat Walker Health Center on the University of Arkansas campus or the emergency room at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville. The telephone number for the Pat Walker Health Center is 479-575-4451 and the telephone number for the Washington Regional Medical Center is 479-463-1000.



SCHEDULE

(sample schedule included in this letter)

A full day at the Academy begins at approximately 8:00 a.m. and concludes at approximately 10:30 p.m. Breaks are taken for lunch and dinner. Students will also be given multiple water breaks throughout each session.

PHYSICAL FITNESS

It is strongly recommended that you do your best to "be in shape" when you arrive at the Academy. A daily exercise program consisting of stretching and jogging, etc. might be helpful. Your work at the Academy could become relatively strenuous if you are not physically prepared.

DMA T-SHIRT

Students will receive a t-shirt, which is included in the tuition cost. This t-shirt is to be worn to the final session on Friday, June 22nd. In addition, there are several styles of souvenir DMA t-shirts available for sale during the workshop.

CLOSING CEREMONY

We invite your family, friends and band directors to join us for our final session. This session will include your final class lecture, demonstration of the work you have done throughout the week, final competition for the best marching squad, presentation of certificates and the closing ceremony. This session will be held on Friday, June 22nd at 11:00 a.m. It will be held at parking lot 56 which is located at the corner of Razorback Road and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and will last approximately one hour. All students must check-out and return keys and access cards immediately following the closing ceremony.

Again, there will be a \$150.00 charge for any keys or dorm access cards not turned in at check-out on June 22nd.

We are very excited about this year's Academy, and we look forward to meeting you. If you have questions, please call the **Drum Major Academy®** at **781-874-9728**.

With Pride,

The Drum Major Academy® Staff



Rules and Regulations

***As a student who has been selected to be a Drum Major/Student Leader of your school band, there is no need to stress the importance of good conduct. Drum Major Academy® students are expected to uphold the highest standards of behavior and attitude. Failure to comply with any of the following regulations established by the Drum Major Academy® may result in immediate dismissal from the Academy without a refund of fees. Your parents/guardians will be responsible for immediate transportation home.**

Drum majors and ALL band student leaders are never late. Remember the old saying, "To be early is to be on time. To be on time is to be late." You should plan on being at least five minutes early to each session. This is a security issue as well as a self-discipline issue.

The Drum Major Academy® needs to know your whereabouts throughout the entire workshop. If you feel ill at any time, you **MUST** contact an Academy staff member immediately.

Nametags must be worn at all times.

Visitation by persons who are not enrolled in the Academy is not permitted.

Please keep your room locked at all times. Also, do not leave money or other valuables anywhere on campus. The Drum Major Academy® and the University of Arkansas cannot be held responsible for loss of personal property.

You have all been selected as intelligent leaders of your school bands. Please use discretion in wearing appropriate clothing during the DMA workshop in order to maintain a respectful, professional atmosphere. Please no bathing suits, tube tops, short shorts, or low-cut arm hole shirts for girls or boys. A closed shoe such as sneaker or boat shoe is required. Shoes and shirts must be worn for reasons of safety, hygiene, and courtesy to others.

The Drum Major Academy® values civility, diversity, education, equality, and honesty. We are firmly committed to maintaining a safe environment. Any type of sexual misconduct is contrary to Drum Major Academy® policies and philosophies and therefore will not be tolerated. Anything deemed by our staff of professional educators as sexual misconduct will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy, with parents/guardians being responsible for immediate transportation home.

Bullying/Intimidation behaviors (included, but not limited to: verbal, physical, and cyber bullying or intimidation) are strictly prohibited and will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy.

Alcohol, tobacco (cigarettes or chewing tobacco) or controlled/illegal substances are prohibited while at the Academy. Use of any of these items is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED** and will result in immediate dismissal from the Academy.

Non-performance weapons of any type, including but not limited to: pocket knives/Swiss army knives, firearms, etc. are not permitted at the Academy. Any student in possession of any non-performance weapon will be immediately reported to Police and Public Safety and dismissed from the Academy.

Students are not permitted to leave campus at any time. If you drive to campus, your vehicle is to be parked, locked and remain off-limits throughout the Academy. Parking information will be provided to you at check-in.



You may not, under any circumstances, visit the rooms or floors housing members of the opposite sex.

Room checks will be performed each evening. Room check/lights out times will be given at the end of each evening session. At room check, you are expected to be in and stay in your assigned room. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Please leave your room in the same condition at the close of the Academy as when you moved in at the beginning of the Academy. You and your parents/guardians will be held financially responsible for any cleaning or repairs that need to take place in your room as a result of your stay.

Any inappropriate behavior that reflects poorly on yourself, your school, or the Drum Major Academy® will not be tolerated.



THINGS TO BRING

Student tuitions must be paid in full prior to student's arrival at the Academy. No tuition payments will be accepted at check-in.

**For Schools Who Will Be Submitting A Purchase Order: A valid purchase order will be considered payment for registration purposes only. If your school submits a valid purchase order to the Drum Major Academy, the student for whom the purchase order is to be applied will be considered paid up to the amount of the purchase order. Any amount not covered in the purchase order must be paid by other means (check, credit card) prior to check-in.*

The textbook: The most recent edition of **The Dynamic Drum Major** (black cover) will be needed throughout the week for reference and reading assignments. If you pre-ordered a copy of the Dynamic Drum Major on your registration form, it will be available for pick-up at check-in on the first day of the Academy. Students who need a copy can purchase it during the session for \$20.00.

Comfortable clothes - clothes suitable for marching and working on warm days and in air conditioned rooms. (Please see the "Rules and Regulations" page for dress code information)

Sneakers are required for all sessions. Be sure your sneakers have already been broken in BEFORE arriving at the Academy. Sandals, flip-flops, crocs or clogs are not acceptable.

Sunburn protection - please be prepared to work in the sun. Hats, sun block, sunglasses, and other precautionary items are strongly recommended.

A raincoat or rain poncho for unexpected summer showers.

You will need writing implements and a notebook for all sessions. Make sure you bring this letter as the first section in your notebook.

You must provide your own linens which should include sheets (most dormitory beds are extra long twin) or a sleeping bag, a pillow and pillowcase, blanket(s), towels, washcloths, shower shoes and other necessary toiletries. An alarm clock is highly recommended as you will be responsible for getting yourself up and to breakfast on time.

Students may wish to bring a portable fan. Although most dormitories are air conditioned, we do not control the temperature in the dormitories. Dormitory temperatures will vary year to year, location to location.

Although they are **not required**, we recommend that all drum majors bring a whistle and a drum major baton/mace or practice baton/mace.

Even though many bands do not use this equipment, after seeing the showmanship potential for this equipment, many students wish they could attend the baton/mace and whistle sessions and practice some of the techniques. For many drum majors, this can become the special effect that sets them apart from the competition. Therefore, although it is **not required**, we highly recommend that students bring a drum major baton/mace or practice baton/mace and whistle.

If you do not have access to a drum major baton or mace, a 42" wooden dowel or broomstick handle will suffice.

Students who bring a good drum major baton/mace should also have a "practice stick" to use when practicing new, difficult twirling techniques.



Students may bring snacks. But please be aware, most dorm rooms are **not** equipped with a refrigerator. Please do not bring anything that requires refrigeration.

Although water breaks are provided throughout each session, we always recommend students bring their own water bottles that they can fill up before each session.

Students may bring cell phones; however, students are not to use phones during sessions or after lights out unless there is an emergency.

Students can bring money with them to the Drum Major Academy®. We do discourage students from bringing excessive amounts of cash to the Academy. Your tuition covers all your necessities. Occasionally dormitory areas have vending machines and the academy does sell souvenirs. We, the Drum Major Academy® and the University of Arkansas, cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen money.

Please do not bring anything of value to the Drum Major Academy®. Although we **very rarely** have instances where a student's valuables will get lost or stolen, it does happen. We, the Drum Major Academy® and the University of Arkansas, cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Daily Schedule

*This is a **tentative** schedule and is only to be used as basic outline of a typical DMA session and will most likely vary at each location.*

Schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the staff.

DAY 1:

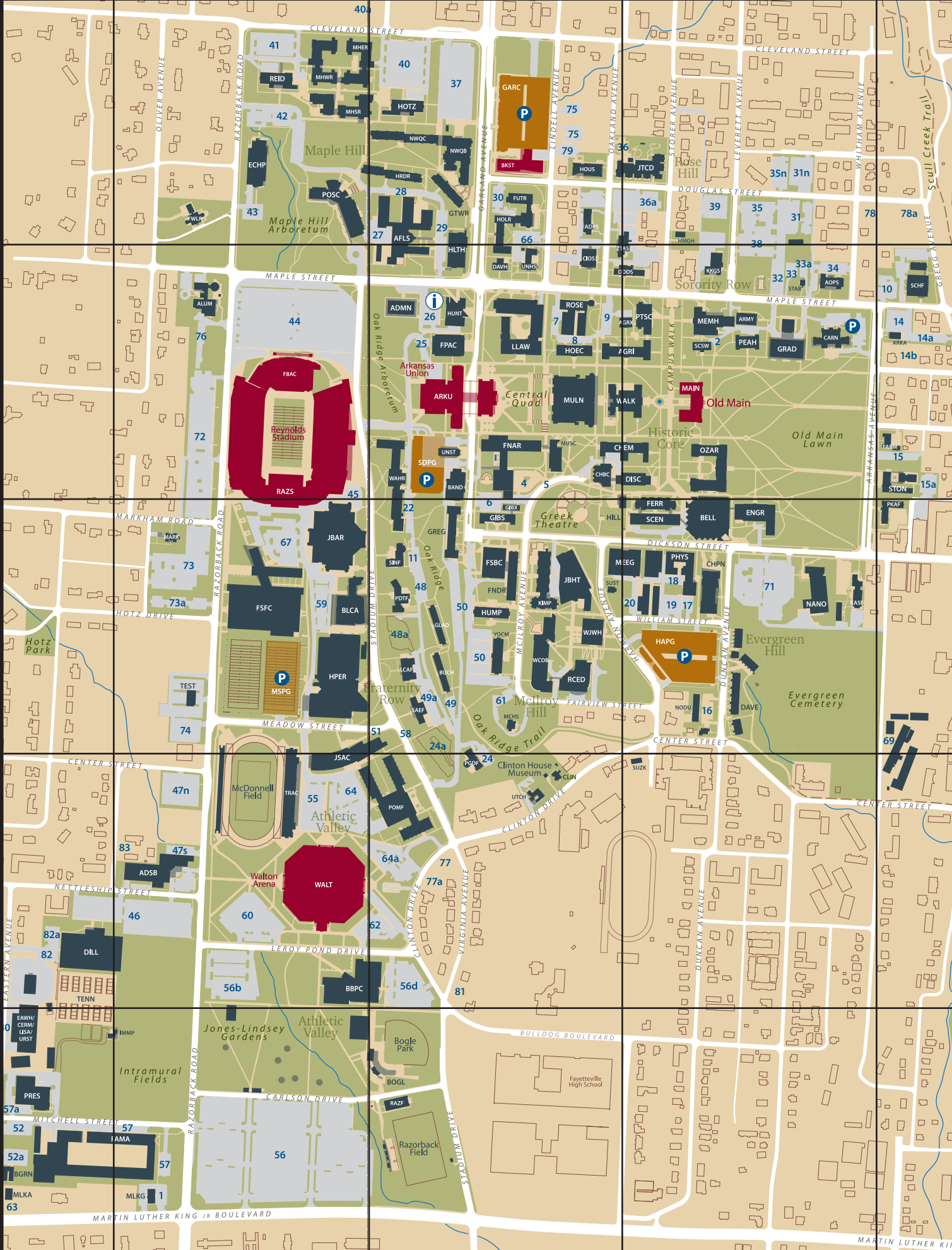
3:00 - 5:00 PM Check In
5:00 - 6:00 PM Dinner offered
6:30 - 10:00 PM Opening Session (both outside and inside)

DAY 2 - 4:

7:00 - 8:00 AM Breakfast
8:00 - 11:30 AM Outside Session
11:30 - 1:00 PM Lunch / Break
1:00 - 4:45 PM Afternoon Session (large and small inside classes plus outside classes)
4:45 - 6:00 PM Dinner / Break
6:00 - 8:00 PM Outside Session
8:00 - 10:00 PM Inside Session

DAY 5:

7:00 - 8:00 AM Breakfast
8:00 - 11:00 AM Outside Session
11:00 - 12:00PM Final Demonstration
12:00 PM Check Out





LOCATION	CODE	NAME	C3	JBHT	Hunt Center for Academic Excellence (J.B. Hunt Transport Service, Inc. Center for Academic Excellence)
C2	ADMN	Administration Building - Honors College	D1	INDC	Infant Development Center
B4	ADSB	Administrative Services Building (including parking office)	D2	CARN	Inn at Carnall Hall
C1	AFLS	Agricultural, Food, and Life Sciences Building - Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences	B5	IMMP	Intramural Multipurpose Building
D2	AGRX	Agriculture Annex	D1	JTCD	Jean Tyson Child Development Center
D2	AGRI	Agriculture Building	E2	KDLS	Kappa Delta
C1	ADPS	Alpha Delta Pi	D2	KKGS	Kappa Kappa Gamma
B2	AGRF	Alpha Gamma Rho	D3	KASF	Kappa Sigma
D2	AOPS	Alpha Omicron Pi	C3	KIMP	Kimpel Hall
B3	MARK	Alpha Phi Alpha	E4	KUAF	KUAF
B2	ALUM	Alumni House (Janelle Y. Hembree Alumni House)	C3	LCAF	Lambda Chi Alpha
C2	ARKU	Arkansas Union	C2	WATR	Leflar Law Center - School of Law
D2	ARMY	Army ROTC Building	C2	MULN	Library
C2	BAND	Band Hall (Lewis E. Epley, Jr. Band Building)	A5	LISA	Library Storage Annex
B3	JBAR	Barnhill Arena Gymnastics Center (John Barnhill Arena Gymnastic Center)	B1	MHER	Maple Hill East
D3	BELL	Bell Engineering Center - College of Engineering	B1	MHSR	Maple Hill South
C2	MUSC	Billingsley Music Building (George and Boyce Billingsley Music Building)	B1	MHWR	Maple Hill West
C5	BOGL	Bogle Park	B3	MARK	Markham House
C1	BKST	University Bookstore	B4	TRPA	McDonnell Field (John McDonnell Field House)
B3	BLCA	Lewis Center for Women's Athletics (Bev Lewis Center for Women's Athletics)	C3	MCHS	McIlroy House
D3	BGHL	Botany Greenhouse	D2	STAB	McNalley House
C3	FSBC	Brough Commons	B3	MSPG	Meadow Street Parking Garage
B2	FBAC	Broyles Athletic Center (Frank Broyles Athletic Center)	D3	MEEG	Mechanical Engineering Building
C3	BUCH	Buchanan-Droke Hall	D2	MEMH	Memorial Hall
B4	WALT	Bud Walton Arena	C2	MULN	Mullins Library
C2	WAHR	Bud Walton Hall	C3	GIBX	Multimedia Resource Center
C3	WCOB	Business Building - Sam M. Walton College of Business	C2	MUSC	Music Building (George and Boyce Billingsley Music Building)
E4	KUAF	Carver Center for Public Radio	D3	NANO	Nanoscale Material Science and Engineering Building
D3	HEAT	Central Utility Plant	C1	NWQB	Northwest Quad B
A5	CERM	Ceramics Studio	C1	NWQC	Northwest Quad C
C2	CHBC	Chemistry and Biochemistry Research Building	B5	CRED	Old Credit Union
D2	CHEM	Chemistry Building	D2	MAIN	Old Main - J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
C2	CIOG	Chi Omega	D2	OZAR	Ozark Hall - Graduate School
C3	COGT	Chi Omega Greek Theatre	D2	PEAH	Peabody Hall
D3	CHIL	Chiller Plant	C3	PDTF	Phi Delta Theta
C4	CLIN	Clinton House Museum	C4	PGDF	Phi Gamma Delta
C2	DAVH	Davis Hall	D3	PHYS	Physics Building
D2	DDDS	Delta Delta Delta	E2	PBPS	Pi Beta Phi
A4	DILL	Dills Indoor Tennis Center	E3	PKAF	Pi Kappa Alpha
D2	DISC	Discovery Hall (formerly known as Science Building)	D2	PTSC	Plant Sciences Building
D3	DUNR	Duncan Avenue Residence - Apartments	C4	POMF	Pomfret Hall
A5	EAWH	Eastern Avenue Warehouse - Surplus Property	C4	POMF	Pomfret Honors Quarters
D2	CARN	Ella Carnall Hall	A5	PRES	Printing Services / University of Arkansas Press Warehouse
D3	ENGR	John A. White, Jr. Engineering Hall	C5	RAZF	Razorback Field (Soccer)
C2	BAND	Epley Band Hall (Lewis E. Epley, Jr. Band Building)	A4	BUSB	Razorback Transit Maintenance Facility
B1	ECHP	Epley Center for Health Professions	B1	REID	Reid Hall
B5	FAMA	Facilities Management	C3	RCED	Reynolds Center for Enterprise Development (Donald W. Reynolds Center for Enterprise Development)
A5	PPRC	Facilities Management Recycling	B2	RAZS	Reynolds Razorback Stadium (Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium)
E2	FARM	Farm House	C2	ROSE	Rosen Alternative Pest Control Center
D3	FERR	Ferritor Hall (Daniel E. Ferritor Hall)	D2	SCSW	School of Social Work
C2	FLDH	Field House	D3	SCEN	Science Engineering Building
C2	FNAR	Fine Arts Center	C3	SAEF	Sigma Alpha Epsilon
C3	FNDR	Founders Hall	E2	SCHF	Sigma Chi
B1	FWLR	Fowler House (Wallace and Jama Fowler House)	C3	SINF	Sigma Nu
C1	FUTR	Futrell Hall	C2	HUNT	Silas Hunt Hall - Admissions and Registrar
C1	GACR	Garland Avenue Center	C5	RAZF	Soccer
C1	GACS	Garland Avenue Center Shops	C5	BOGL	Softball
C1	GAPG	Garland Avenue Parking Garage	B3	SCAC	Southeastern Conference Academic Consortium
C3	GIBX	Gibson Annex	C2	SDPG	Stadium Drive Garage
C3	GIBS	Gibson Hall	E2	STON	Stone House North (Edward Durrell Stone House)
C3	GLAD	Gladson-Ripley Hall	E2	STOS	Stone House South (Edward Durrell Stone House)
F4	GLBL	Global Campus	D2	STAB	Study Abroad and International Exchange
A5	CTMS	Global Campus Media Services Garage	D4	SUZM	Suzuki Music School
D2	GRAD	Graduate Education Building - College of Education and Health Professions	B3	TEST	Testing Center
C3	COGT	Greek Theatre (Chi Omega Greek Theatre)	B3	TSTA	Testing Annex
C3	GREG	Gregson Hall	B1	POSC	Tyson Building (John Tyson Poultry Science Center)
B4	JSAC	Jones Student-Athlete Center	C4	UTCH	UAteach building
C1	HRDR	Harding Hall (Arthur M. Harding Hall - Northwest Quad D)	C2	ARKU	Union (Arkansas Union)
D3	HAPG	Harmon Avenue Garage	C2	UNST	Union Station (Union Station Transit Facility)
C2	HLTH	Health Center (Pat Walker Health Center)	C2	UNHS	University House
B3	HPER	Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Building	C3	MCHS	University Press
B2	ALUM	Hembree Alumni House (Janelle Y. Hembree Alumni House)	D2	WALK	Vol Walker Hall
C3	HILL	Hillside Auditorium	C2	HLTH	Walker Health Center (Pat Walker Health Center)
C1	HOLC	Holcombe Hall	B3	IDPA	Walker Pavilion
D2	HOEC	Home Economics Building	B4	WALT	Walton Arena (Bud Wilton Arena)
C1	HMGH	Home Management House	E3	WHSE	Warehouses
C1	HOUS	University Housing Office (960 W. Douglas St.)	C2	WATR	Waterman Hall
C2	HOEC	Human Environmental Sciences Building	E2	WAAX	West Avenue Annex
C3	HUMP	Humphreys Hall	C1	GTWR	Willard B. Gatewood, Jr. (Northwest Quad A)
			C3	WJWH	Willard Walker Hall (Willard J. Walker Hall)
			C3	YOCM	Yocum Hall
			C2	ZTAS	Zeta Tau Alpha