

Capital Construction Project:

The Engineering Complex

UW Trustee Report

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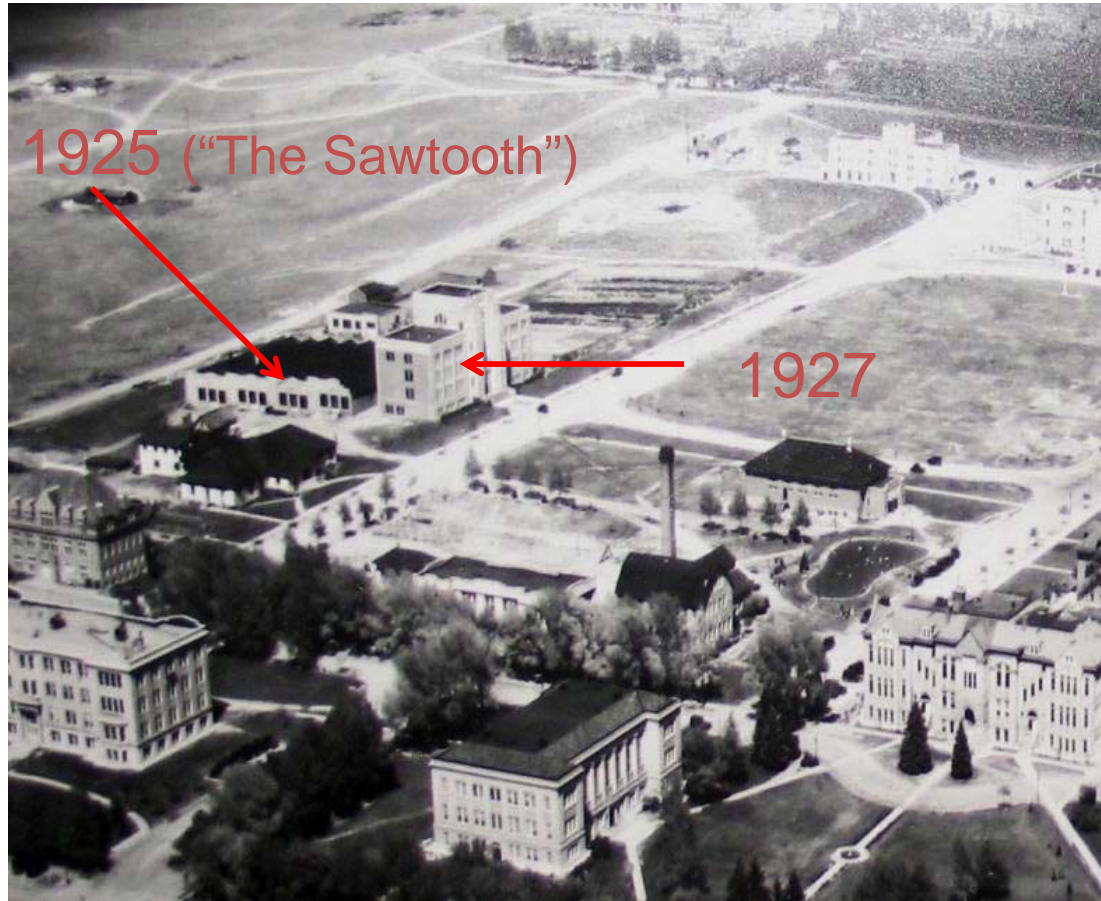
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Engineering Complex

- Current context
- Vision for the College
- Regional comparators
- A glimpse of the future
- Future activities



Engineering Building



circa: 1927



Engineering Building

1925 (“The Sawtooth”)



2012



The Sawtooth

- Coal gasification
- Composite materials fabrication
- Heat and mass transfer labs
- Hydraulics “teaching lab”
- College machine shop
- Storage



Sawtooth Problems

- Poor ventilation
- Leaking roof
- Power constraints
- A challenging sloped footprint for modifications



Engineering Facility Needs



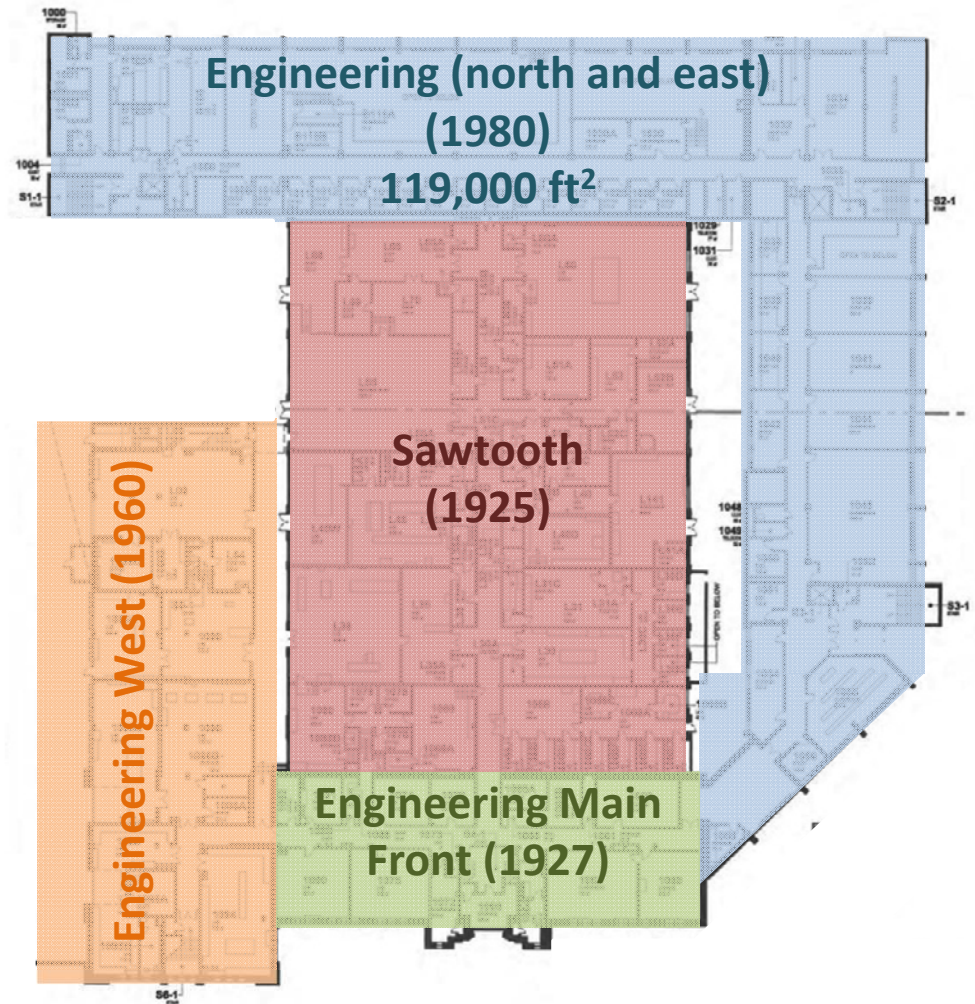
Teaching and research laboratories



Facility Needs

- Sawtooth 87 yrs old
- Eng. Main 85 yrs old
 - >25% of space
- Eng. West 52 yrs old
- Eng. North & East: 32 yrs old

Laboratories comprise 55% of space in the facilities



UW Engineering is Laboratory Space Constrained

Impacts

- Current experimental oriented faculty have no lab space
- Current teaching is impacted
 - Some engineering teaching labs are 25% of needed size
 - Drilling simulator temporarily housed in the SER (energy) building
 - Teaching labs with the newest technology are simply unavailable
- Faculty hiring decisions are impacted by available lab space



Laboratory Development today:
Encana 3-Phase Flow Lab (2006)



1/2 of Chemical Engineering Unit Operations Lab



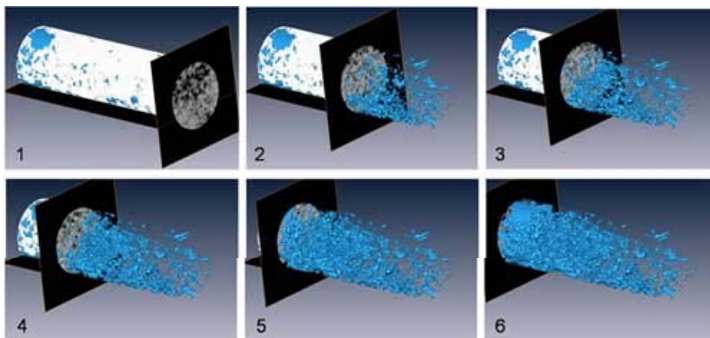
Encana 3-Phase Flow Lab (2012)



Unique world-wide

Warning: Undergraduate enrollment in Chemical Engineering has jumped by 54% since 2006.

→ Student lab space is a challenge!



UW Wind Tunnel Facilities



- Cramped conditions
- Off-campus space



VISION:

UW seeks to become a Tier 1 Engineering Institution

- Enhancing current areas of excellence
- Advancing programs critical to the state and the nation
- Leading the waves of the future in research and teaching

UW shall “assist in the development of the parameters for the renovation and reconstruction plan for the college of engineering at the University of Wyoming, which plan shall be designed in cost and approach to *lead the university toward a tier one academic and research institution in areas of excellence appropriate for Wyoming.* (HB 25: 2012 Wyoming Legislature)



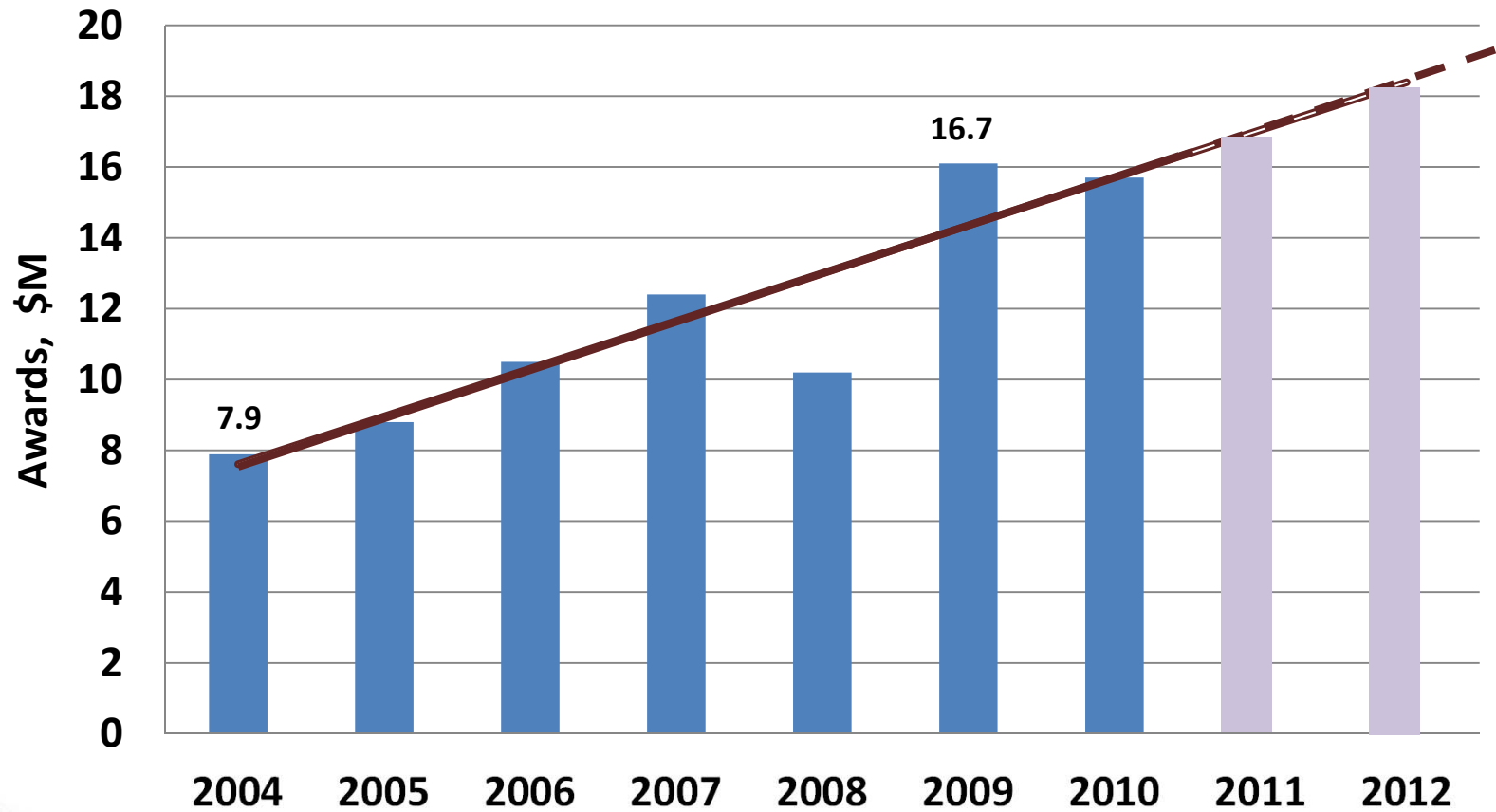
Areas of excellence & critical needs of the state

- Energy
- Material science (composites, high temperature, biological)
- Computational fluid-, solid-, and geo-mechanics
- Cloud and aerosol physics
- Power transmission
- Biomedical science, biochemical engineering
- Transportation and infrastructure
- Water (hydrologic cycles, water quality)
- Robotics and mechatronics

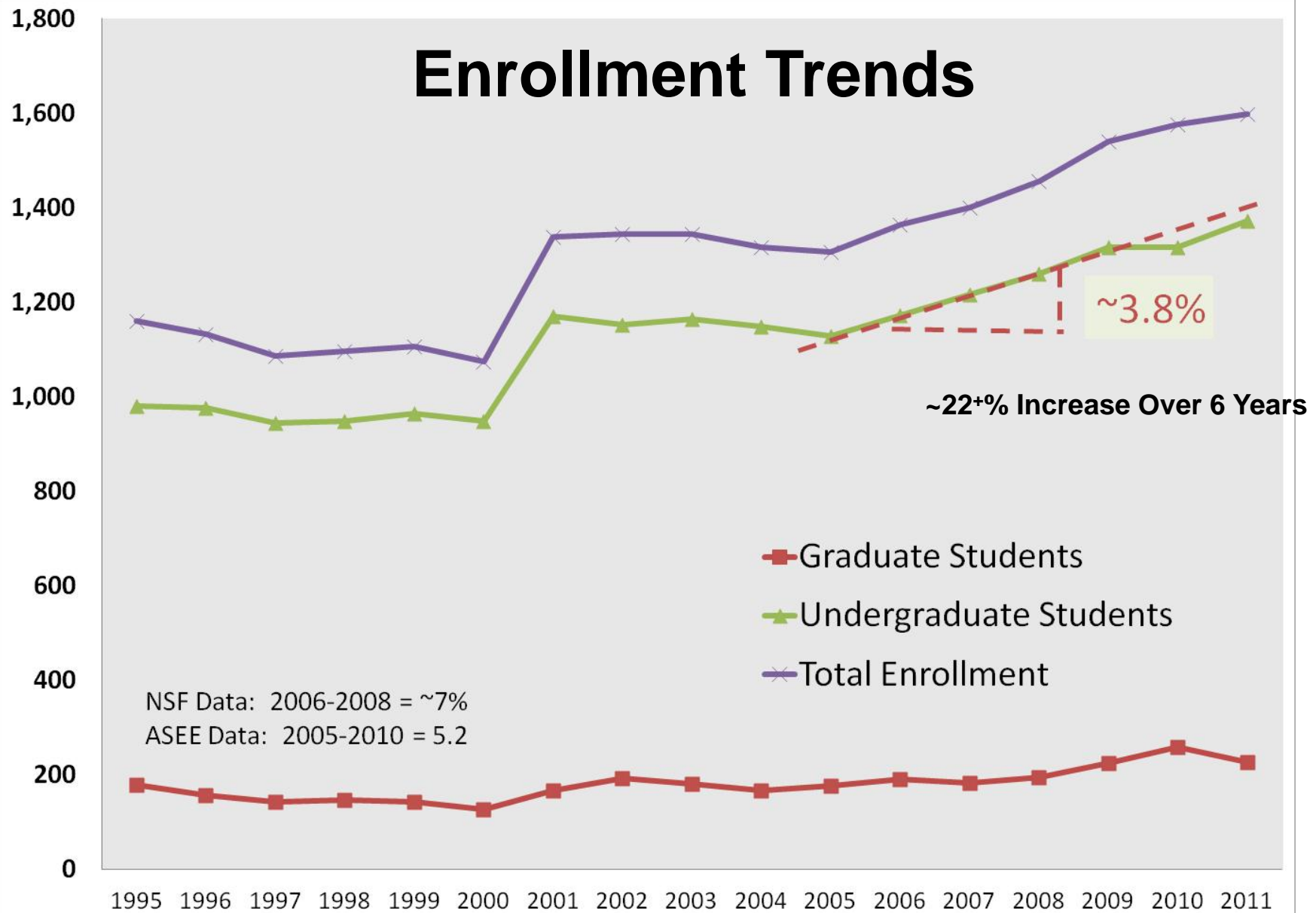


Research Trends

Research Awards



Enrollment Trends

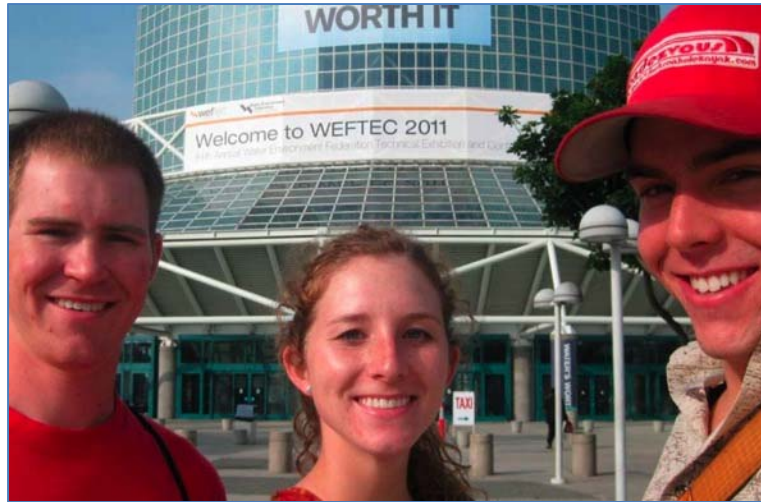


Planning Metrics

Metric	2004	2010	2020
Undergraduate Student Enrollment	1,148	1,300	2,000
Graduate Student Enrollment	164	259	500
Research Awards	\$7.9M	\$15.7M	\$25M



Quality Programs Excite Students



Darrin Harris, Emily Hart, Collin Reinert –

**Won national student contest at
Water Environment Federation Congress
in Los Angeles, Fall 2011**

Gretchen Heberling – ASCE, 2012
**“one of top ten emerging young civil
engineers in US”**



Quality Programs Attract Great Faculty



**Faculty colleagues have a 2011 “most read” paper
in Inst. Electrical & Electronics Engr. (IEEE)
(Cam Wright and Steve Barrett)**



Regional Comparators

<u>Eng College</u>	<u>Newest Building*</u>	<u>Oldest Building*</u>
CSU	2013	1982
UC-Boulder	2011	1981
Utah	2008	1980
MT State	2008	1980
ND State	2006	1975
UW	1980	1925

(*Newest & Oldest Building based on new construction or total renovation)

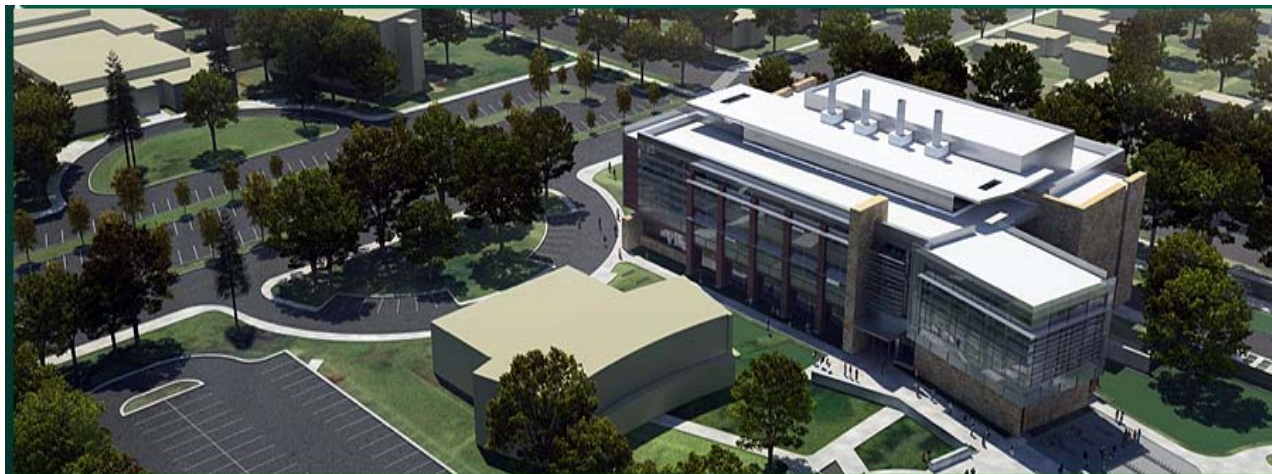
UW is 25-50 years behind our peer engineering facilities.



New CSU Engineering II Building



http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1WU6vU3vdLc&feature=player_embedded



**Construction in
2011 - 2013**

\$69 M

New CU BioTech Eng Building



View Along Colorado Avenue from the East

James Bioengineering Building - University of Colorado at Boulder

August 26, 2004

HDR AMERICAN STERN ARCHITECTS

- **New 257,000 ft² Building**
- **Completion - Fall 2011**
- **Chemical and Biological Engineering Department**

<http://www.colorado.edu/news/r/9909881d509d177762e652142045ea60.html>

New Construction of Engineering Buildings at Colorado School of Mines



Brown Hall addition: \$33 million, 78,000 square feet addition



Marquez Hall: \$25 million, 75,000-square-foot new building to house the Department of Petroleum Engineering

Total cost: \$58 M



University of Utah New Warnock Engineering Bldg



UW: One Plan -- Two Projects

1. **Engineering Building** ... to upgrade and expand the college's capacity to deliver *high quality programs of education and research*
2. **Energy Engineering Research Facility (EERF)** ... to create needed research labs *increasing research in strategic energy areas, and more*



Projects	Buildings	Approximate Cost	Benefits
<p>1</p> <p>Upgrade and Expand the College of Engineering & Applied Science</p>	<p>Sawtooth Replaced</p> <p>New academic building</p>	<p>Level I: (Internal)</p> <p>Level II: (\$1.15M)</p> <p>Level III:</p> <p>(state appropriation, gifts)</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality career paths • Increased enrollment capacity • Educate the technical work force for Wyoming and the nation • Expertise to research, innovate, and help commercialize
<p>2</p> <p>Energy Engineering Research Facility</p>	<p>Large-scale research lab facility</p> <p>High-bay lab</p> <p>Assignable floor area sought: 60,000 sq ft</p>	<p>Level I: (Internal)</p> <p>Level II: (\$400K)</p> <p>Level III:</p> <p>(AML, gifts)</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased research capacity, especially for large-scale experiments • Critical infrastructure of energy-related research

Student Concepts Engineering Building



*Renderings by
Arch. Eng. students*



Engineering Building Location?



Project 1

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EERF Project Objectives

- Enhanced research capacity in strategic energy areas
- Space and infrastructure for large-scale testing



Planning Process

- UW Level I Plan: Spring 2012 – available for distribution, feedback, and discussion
(primarily a needs assessment & data collection)
- Begin UW Level II Planning: Summer 2012
- Leadership from Joint Minerals, Business, and Economic Development Interim Committee: 2012



Planning Process (cont'd)

- Solicit broad input from, for example:
 - Governor's Blue Ribbon Taskforce: 2012-2013
 - College of Engineering Advisory Board: 2012-2013
 - Community Outreach: 2012-2013
 - Legislative Outreach: 2012-2013
 - Campus (Faculty/Student/Staff) Outreach: 2012-2013
 - Donor Outreach: 2012-2014



Timelines for the Year Ahead

- Summer/Fall 2012
 - Obtain Trustee approval for Level II contract
 - Joint Minerals, Business and Economic Development Interim Committee
 - Private fundraising
 - Pre-meetings with Governor and legislators
- Early 2013
 - Respond to legislative questions re the Engineering Complex: January
 - Legislative Session: February-March
 - Complete Level II Study: March



Summary

- Strengthen Wyoming's ability to develop its resources
- Promote technological innovation
- Educate the professionals critical to the state's economic development



Discussion



The new facility marks the beginning....

