Welcome to the University of Tennessee!
We’re so glad you’re here! We hope you enjoy this self-guided tour of our campus.

PARKING at the Undergraduate Admissions Office

From the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, Parking is free on weekdays for up to two hours with the permit obtained at the parking booth and a two-hour extension provided by the Admissions Office, and all day on weekends on Circle Park Drive.

If you wish to park during the day on a weekday, please select the self-guided tour for parking at Volunteer Hall Garage.

WALKING

Exit the Office of Undergraduate Admissions and take the sidewalk to the right. To the left is McClung Museum of Natural History & Culture, a Smithsonian Institution affiliate that presents both permanent and traveling exhibits free of charge.

Continue to the right on the sidewalk around Circle Park. On the right is the Student Services Building (SSB). On weekdays, the following offices are open from 8 AM until 5 PM.

Undergraduate Admissions - Room 320 (street level)
New Student and Family Programs – Room 412
University Housing - Room 405

Beyond the flagpole on the right is the Communication Building, home to the College of Communication & Information, the daily campus newspaper, The Daily Beacon, two radio stations, and a television station, all of which are student-run. These are among the many ways on campus that students get hands-on experience.

Continue to the end of Circle Park Drive. Cross Peyton Manning Pass and look to the right. You will see Neyland Stadium, one of the largest collegiate football stadiums in the nation. Attending a Vols home football game is truly a remarkable experience to share with more than 100,000 orange-clad fans. Students pay just $10 per ticket for football through an online lottery system. All other athletic events are free for students with their VolCard (student ID).

At the corner of Peyton Manning Pass and Volunteer Boulevard is the College of Nursing, which prepares students extremely well for professional licensure and careers. The program is competitive and rigorous offering direct admission to freshmen. Nursing graduates consistently exceed state and national averages with NCLEX licensure exam pass rates.
Continue along Volunteer Boulevard. Just beyond the College of Nursing are the Bailey Education Complex and the Claxton Building, which house the College of Education, Health & Human Sciences. The college offers a five-year teaching program that prepares teachers well by combining a bachelor’s degree in a subject area and a master’s degree in education, with a year of in-classroom experience. Other programs include Audiology & Speech Pathology, Sports Management and Kinesiology, which can prepare students for a doctorate in physical therapy.

At the traffic light, look to the right. Next to Neyland Stadium, is the Alumni Memorial Building, which houses the Cox Auditorium, a world-class performance facility and lecture hall. Below the building on Philip Fulmer Way, is the bus transfer station, where students can catch “The T” (our free campus bus system) and a City of Knoxville bus or free trolley to downtown. Straight ahead is the pedestrian bridge to The Hill, where science, math, and engineering departments are located.

On the left side of the bridge is the first phase of the new Student Union, completed in summer 2015. The building will be completed in two phases with the second in 2017. The new building houses Career Services, dining, the UT Bookstore, Computer Store, and the Vol Shop – make a quick stop to add some orange to your wardrobe!

Optional – tour The Hill

If you would like to see “The Hill,” the center of campus for more than 100 years until the 1960’s cross the bridge by the Student Union and continue to the steps to the top. The Hill is the science and engineering center of campus.

Walters Life Sciences Building is on the left, and Burchfiel Geography Building is below at right. Continue up the steps to Circle Drive and turn right at the top.

Continue along the sidewalk on Circle Drive. The first building on the left is Austin Peay, home of the psychology department, which houses our most popular major. To the right is Hesler (biology) and Nielsen (physics). Stop in front of Nielsen to look across the green lawn at Ayres Hall, the signature landmark building of the UT campus. UT-themed music, including the Alma Mater, is played at 5:00 daily from the Ayres bell tower. At the top of the tower is the familiar checkerboard theme that is carried over to the end zones of Neyland Stadium. Also in Ayres, are the College of Arts & Sciences offices, the department of mathematics and the Math Tutorial Center.

Continue along the sidewalk past the Earth & Planetary Science Building, Science & Engineering Research Facility, Dabney Hall, and Buehler Hall (chemistry). At the sharp right intersection with Middle Drive, look immediately to the right to see the new Min Kao Electrical Engineering & Computer Science Building, funded by UT graduate Min Kao, cofounder of the GarMin company. Other buildings of the nationally ranked College of Engineering are located to the right along Middle Way Drive, like the new John Tickle Civil Engineering Building.

Continue along the sidewalk to the left and look across Cumberland Avenue to Jessie Harris Building, which houses part of the College of Education, Health & Human Sciences (majors of
Retail, Hospitality & Tourism and Nutrition), as well as the Child and Family Studies (PreK-3, PreK-K and community outreach concentrations). Next to Jessie Harris is the Hoskins Library, which houses the Army and Air Force ROTC programs. Continue to Cumberland Avenue and turn left to the second traffic light at Volunteer Blvd.

If you do not tour The Hill, continue on Volunteer Boulevard, past the Haslam Business College on the right to the corner of Cumberland Avenue.

Across Cumberland Avenue on the right is the UT Law College. On the left ahead is the construction of a new 268,000-square-foot academic science structure, which will include a selected restoration of the original 1926 Sophronia Strong Hall. Farther on the left is Clement Hall, another of our suite style halls for men and women.

Cross Volunteer Boulevard to the west and turn south on Volunteer, passing Henson Hall, home to the College of Social Work, the Student Success Center in Greve Hall, and Dunford Hall on the right. Ahead and across the street on the left is the high-rise Stokely Management Center and beyond that at the corner, the Haslam Business Building. These two buildings house the College of Business Administration, which includes the nationally ranked programs in Supply Chain Management and the graduate Accounting and MBA programs.

Cross the side street. On the right is John C. Hodges Library, the largest of the five libraries located on campus. Hodges Library contains more than 3 million holdings, including books (located on floors 3-6), periodicals, microfilm, electronic media, and maps.

Enter the library at Volunteer Boulevard. The bottom floor contains One Stop Express Student Services. One Stop is a UT student’s source for answers on financial aid, student accounts, registration and academic records. Proceed up two flights of stairs to the second floor. This section of the library contains “The Commons,” popular because it is open 24 hours and has ample space to meet with study groups, practice a presentation, or use one of the library’s desktop computers. Students in need of a laptop computer may check one out here. The Commons also includes the Writing Center serving all students during the writing process, as well as the Stat Lab for students seeking help in their statistics classes. As you continue down the hallway toward the upper level exit, you will see two other reasons this floor of the library is so popular with students – Starbucks Coffee and a convenience store.

Exit the library on the second floor and continue straight along Melrose Avenue. The building on the left is Melrose Hall. This former residence hall is now a multifunctional building containing offices of the Center for International Education, which arranges study abroad programs, and the LGBT & Ally Outreach Center.

Ahead on the left is Hess Hall, the second-largest residence hall on campus, housing over 900 men and women in separate wings. Hess has both single and double occupancy rooms and community bathrooms on each floor. It features a computer room, fast food, and a branch of the VolShop. Like all of our residence halls, Hess has a TV lounge, kitchens, a workout room and an in-house post office where students send and receive mail.
Many residence halls house Freshman Living and Learning Communities (LLC). There are 18 specialized programs for students with a similar interest or major. Students who participate in a community reside on the same residence hall floor, and each LLC has a specific course or courses that members of the community take together.

Across the parking lot to the right is the International House, a cultural gathering place for all students, which hosts many international cultural programs each year. Cross the street just beyond Hess Hall and continue on Melrose Avenue. The building on the left is the Black Cultural Center (BCC). Open to all students, this building houses the Office of Multicultural Student Life, which offers two very helpful programs: tutoring and a textbook loan program. Behind the BCC, is our newest residence hall, Fred D. Brown, Jr. Hall. This suite-style hall houses 680 men and women on six floors. Brown Hall also includes state-of-the-art technology, sustainability, and an environmentally conscious living space that takes student accommodations to a new level.

Continue on Melrose Avenue and pass several houses across the street on the right belonging to religious organizations on campus. On the left, is Hopecote, UT’s official guesthouse for visiting dignitaries.

Ahead, where the street turns to the left, continue walking straight ahead. To the left is a pole with a blue light on top – one of the 100+ emergency phones across campus. The red button on the box is for emergencies, summoning the police directly to that location. The black button calls for an escort from a police or community service officer for a safe ride anywhere on campus.

Continue straight past the emergency phone to the Presidential Court Complex. The Presidential Court Building on the left includes a cafeteria, food court, a bakery, and a convenience store. Walk into the courtyard and you will see the four identically-furnished, suite-style residence halls that make up the complex: Humes and South Carrick (women), North Carrick and Reese (men).

Walk diagonally to the left, across the courtyard and down the steps between South Carrick and Humes halls. When you reach the street, ahead on the right is Morrill Hall, another suite-style residence hall. Continue past Morrill and cross 20th Street. Turn left and cross Andy Holt Avenue at the intersection. Andy Holt Avenue continues to the right, over a bridge to the Agriculture Campus, home to the College of Agricultural Sciences & Natural Resources, the College of Veterinary Medicine, and the UT Gardens the official botanical garden of the State of Tennessee.

Turn left on the sidewalk on Andy Holt Avenue (to the East). To the right is the Student Aquatic Center (SAC). Continue along its east side away from the street, and turn right. You are welcome to go into the lobby to the right and look around. The center includes indoor and outdoor Olympic-size pools and a fitness facility. On the west side of the SAC is the Allan Jones Intercollegiate Aquatic Center. The center boasts a full-size 50-meter competition pool which allows UT to host Olympic trials. This complex gives UT three aquatics facilities in a two-block area.

Walk south across the patio area to the Tennessee Recreation Center for Students (T-RECS). Enter T-RECS and visit the lobby area. You can look down into the cardio area and through the glass doors into the basketball courts. The equipment and courts are available for use by UT students. Take the stairway...
beyond the vending machines down to the lower level. Exit through the doors at the bottom of the steps and turn left onto the sidewalk. Continue east along Volunteer Boulevard.

Look across Volunteer Boulevard to the right to see Fraternity Park, home to many of our fraternities. Ahead and to the left are part of our Intramural Fields (the majority are off campus on Sutherland Avenue at a new facility), LaPorte Stadium, and Tom Black Track. To the left, behind the stadium and track is the Health, Physical Education, and Recreation Building (HPER), which includes a swimming pool, weight room, climbing wall, classrooms, offices, four gymnasia and other facilities available for student use. Continue on the sidewalk bordering the stadium to the intersection of Volunteer Boulevard and Pat Head Summitt Street, named for the former Lady Vols basketball coach with the most winnings in NCAA history.

Across Volunteer Boulevard to the right is the Student Health Center, which offers students a wide range of medical and counseling services, as well as a full pharmacy. Cross Pat Head Summitt Street. On the left is “The Rock,” the only place on campus where graffiti is permitted. Unearthed in the 1960s, the Rock soon thereafter became a “canvas” for student messages.

Continue along Volunteer Boulevard, and on the left is the new Natalie Haslam Music Building, home of the Pride of the Southland Band and the School of Music. The building includes a music library, 40 performance studios and a 400-seat recital hall for student and professional performances.

Continue on Volunteer Boulevard, and across on your right is construction of a new residence hall, dining facility and parking garage on the site at the corner of Volunteer and Lake Loudon Boulevards.

Continue to the traffic light at Volunteer and Lake Loudon Boulevard, turn left and approach the steps and ramp at the east side of the Art & Architecture Building, home to the College of Architecture & Design and the School of Art. You may turn left and enter the building to see the open atrium and exhibits in the lobby area and in the Ewing Gallery. Return to the east entry door, exit, take the stairs directly in front of the exit and turn left.

Continue on the sidewalk to the small plaza on the left. On the right side is the Humanities & Social Sciences Building (HSS), which houses many of UT’s classrooms. On the left are Carousel Theatre and Clarence Brown Theatre, a member of the League of Resident Theatres, which hosts both professional and student productions throughout the year.

Continue directly ahead and turn right on the Joe Johnson & John Ward Pedestrian Walkway. The walkway is composed of engraved stones that highlight more than 200 years of UT history, starting with our founding in 1794 at the official university seal. When you are through viewing the walkway, continue down the hill toward the traffic light, but turn right immediately past the amphitheater (on the right) and continue along the sidewalk and down the steps toward the HSS Building.

Walk between HSS and the McClung Tower, which houses faculty offices of the humanities and social sciences, where professors have open-door office hours every week. Also located in the HSS Building is the Language Lab, where students receive tutoring in foreign languages.
Continue on the sidewalk with **HSS** at the right, past the humanities plaza and fountain. At Volunteer Boulevard, cross the street to the entrance of Circle Park Drive and turn left, walking toward the **Volunteer Statue** or the “Torchbearer” as it’s more commonly known. It is one of the most easily recognized landmarks on campus and is a symbol of UT. The inscription at the base of the statue reflects the University's ideals of scholarship and service. It originated from a student contest and was adopted as the official symbol of the university in 1932. The Great Depression and World War II delayed the statue being cast and displayed until 1968. It bears the words of inspiration: "One that beareth a torch shadoweth oneself to give light to others".

Continue through **Circle Park**, on the brick walkway directly behind the Torchbearer Statue, and at the end of the walkway, cross Circle Park Drive to the Admissions Office and your parking.

**Thank you for visiting the University of Tennessee. We hope you enjoyed your day!** Please don’t hesitate to contact us with further questions. Contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at 865-974-2184 or admissions@utk.edu. Feel free to drop by and see us at 320 Student Services Building, Knoxville, TN 37996-0230 and be sure to check our website for further information admissions.utk.edu.

**Go Vols!**