

Classroom & Teaching Labs Modernization

Total cost: \$11.6 million from LRBP CD Fund

This project will provide critical upgrades to classrooms and laboratories in buildings older than 30 years. The renovations will modernize classrooms and teaching labs campus-wide, investing in students of all academic disciplines. Priority projects will include improvements to heating and air conditioning infrastructure, as well as updated audio/visual technology. Additional investments will be made to upgrade lighting, install new fixed seating, address room finishes, and conduct window replacement and efficiency.

Estimated total square footage: 30,000 square feet of classrooms and 20,000 square feet of teaching labs will be eligible for upgrades. Of UM's academic facilities, 92% will be eligible for these funds.

Why this project is critical: Despite essential investments from UM and the State of Montana, UM's age of plat ratio remains significantly behind its peers.

Skin in the game: UM has invested more than \$3 million in academic building improvements since 2019, at no cost to the State of Montana. This \$11.6 million investment will compliment these investments to serve Montana students for the next century.

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UM classrooms that have not been renovated.