

Get to Know OSU Quest



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Begin your Quest outside of Weatherford Hall at the corner of 26th Street and Jefferson Way. The Quest involves walking approximately half a mile on paved sidewalks outdoors as well as up and down stairs inside. ADA accessible routes are available in all building, but may require you to venture off course. Please remember to stay quiet when inside buildings as there are people working and studying. It generally takes about 45 minutes to complete.

Follow the directions and collect the clues to fill the numbered squares. At the end of your journey, the word will lead you to the hidden Quest Box. When you find the box, please sign the log book and let us know what you thought of this Quest. Just remember to put the box back in its hiding place for the next person to find. Enjoy!



Welcome to college!
It's an exciting place to be.
Here in Corvallis,
At Oregon State University.

The campus is big –
400 acres and counting.
It's like a small city,
24,000 students and mounting!

Students at OSU
Live, work, study, and play
You'll see a few of all of these things
On your Quest today.

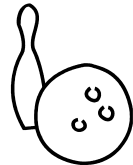
In front of you is Weatherford Hall,
Where students sleep, eat and study.
Residence halls and dorms,
Are great places to meet a
new buddy.



Shaped like a W with a tall tower,
It stands out from the rest.
There's a sauna, café and a TV lounge
Many students like this the best.

The building honors a man
An alum and famous attorney.
Above the arch his full name reads
Put his middle initial in **clue square three**.

Make your way through the streetlamps
180 degrees from the tower's face
Use the crosswalks to go North and East
Up the stairs in the doors that beavers do grace.



This building is the Memorial Union
Or the MU for short.
It's got restaurants and couches,
And a bowling alley for sport!

You can go take a peek downstairs
There's even a massage chair!
But then come back up
Next to the place where they cut hair.

It's hard not to notice
The giant statue of a beaver.
Made from one tall redwood tree,
This might turn you into a believer!

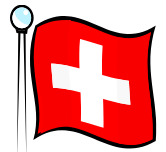
The mascot of Oregon State
Is a beaver, NOT a duck or a hare.
The second letter of his name
Fits the **fifth clue square**.

Now, onward, through the glass doors
Your tummy might rumble
At the delicious-smelling food
But try not to grumble!

Turn right at the burger joint
And again up the main stairway
To the hall of flags and the lounge
Where students lay.

Each flag represents
An international student from that country
College is a great time to meet people
From all over the world, even Hungary.

Look for the flag that's red with
a centered white cross
(Hint: Go down the right
corridor).



The first letter of the country's name
Put in **clue square two** and no more.

QUESTIONS FOR THE CURIOUS: #1

How many country's flags are
represented in the Memorial Union?

*The answer is in the Quest box at the
end of your journey!*

Now head to the map of campus
Which lies near Room 109.
You can see how big campus is –
But look for the “You Are Here” sign.

The next stop will be #72
Head down the steps from where you came
Out to the grassy quad area –
It’s green because of how much it rains!

The quad has events and sign-ups for clubs
(There are over 300 of those).
But head on the path that points to 10:00,
There’s no time to doze.

Look back at the MU
It’s quite impressive
But then turn east on Campus Way
To a building that’s quite progressive.

Find Kelley Engineering Center on your left,
It’s so big, it’s easy to see.
Go in the glass doors –
But pull hard – they’re heavy!



This building has classrooms and labs
For computer and electrical engineering
It’s also a “green” building
Sustainability advocates are cheering!

Walk a few meters
Look to the left for the certification of gold
The second highest honor
In environmental design, so we’re told.



The U.S. Green Building Council
Gives this award a name
The second of the four letters in the word
Is **clue square seven** in this game.

Proceed north to the atrium
And try to find what is “green”
Solar panels, natural light and using rainwater
Are all part of this structure’s scene.

QUESTIONS FOR THE CURIOUS: #2

What might be other environmentally-
friendly features of Kelley Engineering
Center?

*The answer is in the Quest box at the
end of your journey!*

Look up and around,
At the art, computer labs, and café
Then continue through the eastern door,
On Memorial Place turn the south way.

Past the handicapped parking spaces
Of these, there are only a few
Most students bike, walk, or
skateboard,
Cars are difficult to get through!



Take a left at the grove of rhododendrons
Then look before you cross
Notice the color of the fire hydrant
It’s got a unique gloss.

The second letter of the color
Belongs in **clue square six**
Wear this and black at OSU
And you’ll fit into the mix.

Now you’ll see a clock tower
That plays the fight song at five
And next to it, the library
Our final spot to arrive!

Head towards this building
Of over 1 million books
You’ll need to know it’s name
For the next clue – take a look.



The second letter, a vowel,
Belongs in **clue square one**,
Then enter double doors
You’re almost done.

The circulation desk to your right
Has employment for students
Having a job to help pay for college
Is sometimes quite prudent.

Next to this space
Is a cow, patterned brightly.
Find the artist’s name on the wall,
It says it, forthrightly.

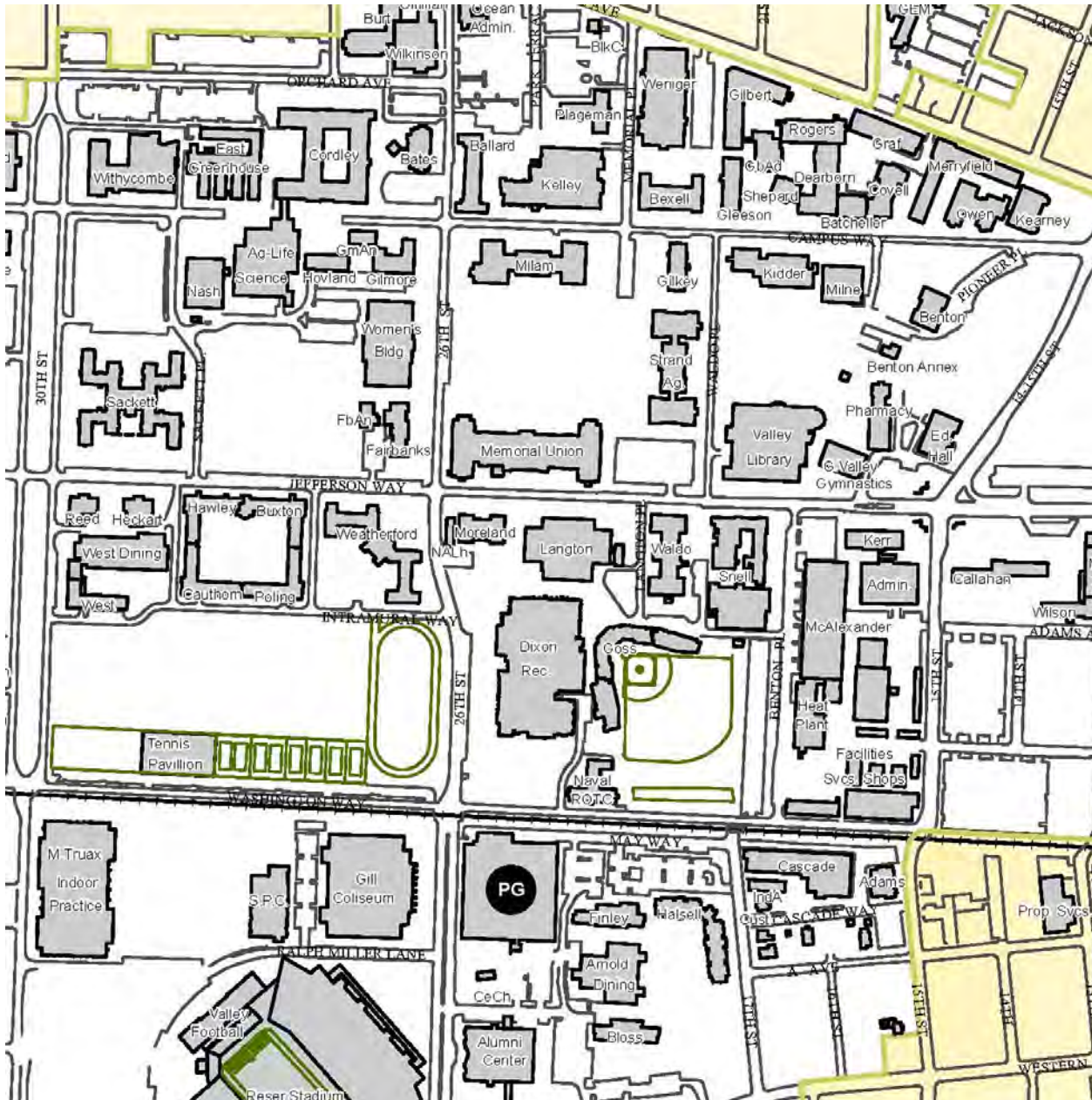
The last name’s first letter
Is the final **clue square four**.
Now use the clue to find the box
You might need to explore...

The Information Commons
Straight back is a clue
Look for a sign up above
And helpful people too!

Find the box, sign the book,
Then replace it anew.
Now you know more about college
And where things are at OSU!



OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP



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