

INVESTING

JANUARY 2024 UPDATE

Transformation of the Oakland corridor from Cherry Road to Stewart Avenue heralds a new day at one of the state's most picturesque public universities. A busy fall semester saw completion or sustained progress on a number of project fronts. Read on for details on our latest investments in Winthrop's future.

PROJECTS to ENHANCE the STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Esports Center

Late November ribbon-cutting celebrated the Esports program's move to the Lowenstein Building downtown. All teams are practicing in the space while general student and community access is being explored.



WiFi and Classroom Improvements

Millions of dollars in technology and equipment are improving the student classroom, learning and connectivity experience on campus. Not only is some classroom technology being updated but classroom furniture is being replaced as well. Campus fiber study is complete, while the WiFi refresh and classroom upfits continue to fully support the academic enterprise.

McLaurin Restroom Renovation

Currently nearing completion, the restroom renovation will improve accessibility and modernize dated facilities on all floors of McLaurin, home to the College of Visual and Performing Arts.

Courtyard

Renovation of select suites to improve accessibility in bathrooms and kitchens (phase 1) underway. Completion expected late February. Replacement of 23 suite HVAC units and water heaters starting this month with work to continue through the spring.

Virtual/augmented Reality Teaching Lab

Multidisciplinary faculty group working to design space in Owens. Expected work this summer in time for August start of classes.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



Oakland Corridor

Fence and column removal, fountain and plaza, new flagpole...these completed projects have created a beautiful experience traversing campus on this major thoroughfare.

High-Voltage Electrical Substation & System Upgrade

Replacement of aging high-voltage electrical equipment at the Withers main power entry point to campus plus upgrades to Culp Chiller Plant electrical equipment will improve infrastructure resiliency for the future. Installation ongoing. Estimated completion spring 2024.

Stewart House Renovation

Bids will open this month on exterior renovation to include roof replacement and stucco renovation as part of this donor-funded project that established the Morgan-Holcombe Alumni Center in the historic Stewart House.

Wofford & Richardson Demolition

Former residents said goodbye to the iconic high rises during Homecoming in November. Abatement complete in Richardson and near complete in Wofford. Demolition and utility relocation are in plan review with the state awaiting a bid date.

Byrnes Auditorium Renovation/ Remediation

Abatement, demolition and fire clean-up work continues this spring. Coordinating removal/cleaning of the renown D.B. Johnson Memorial Organ, a large four-manual instrument with 3,788 pipes. Estimated completion by August 2024.



Architectural Detailing (Boxing) Repairs

Work on repair and replacement of exterior architectural detail on Bancroft, Johnson, Kinard and Sims is well underway. Kinard entry columns to be replaced. Expected project completion this summer.



Roof Replacements

Dacus Library new roof complete while West Center work will continue through March, weather dependent. Joynes Hall roof replacement and brickwork repairs to be bid for work starting this summer.

McLaurin Flood Repairs

Drywall complete; new flooring installation and painting underway. Expected completion late February.

Fire Safety

McBryde and Thurmond fire alarm system replacement complete. Bidding for Bancroft finally complete after protest. Project ongoing through late summer. Sprinker repairs for three floors of the Courtyard (phase 1) starting now through the spring.

Alumni Drive Oil Tank Demolition

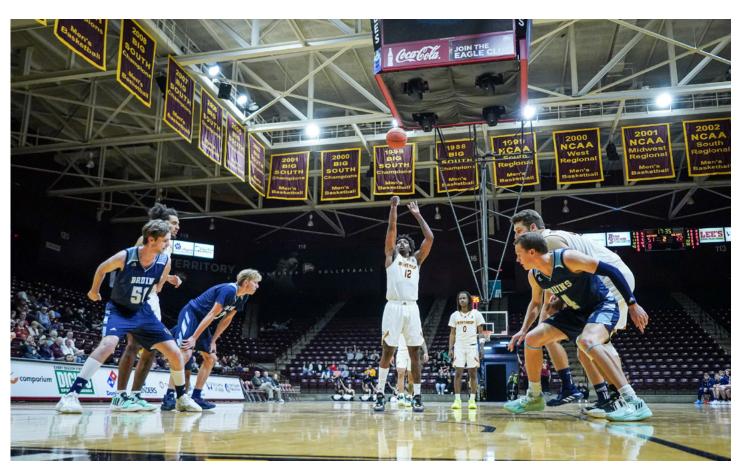
This project will remove the oil tanks by the boiler plant along Alumni Drive. Environmental consultant starting design plans to demolish tanks and piping.

Withers/Tillman Fan Coil Unit Replacement

This project replaced select aging fan coil HVAC units in both buildings. Equipment installed, final testing underway.

Coliseum Lights & Sound System

Project completed in time for basketball season. Go Eagles!



PROJECTS in the QUEUE



In coming months, look for details on these projects, which are currently in design:

- Joynes Hall mechanical system (HVAC) replacement
- Joynes Hall renovation & re-purposing
- Campus steam system replacement
- Sims & Dalton renovation
- Lee Wicker & Phelps roof replacements
- Southwest Gateway (with City of Rock Hill)

Later this year more will be known about these projects, which are currently in the planning stage:

- New cafeteria
- Dacus & Dinkins renovation
- Margaret Nance restroom renovation



Winthrop Lake

Repairs to the Winthrop Lake Dam and an array of other projects are coming in late 2024.



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