Welcome to the University of Western Ontario

One of Canada’s oldest and most beautiful universities, Western strives to provide the best student experience among Canada’s leading research universities. We hope that you enjoy your walk through our campus with its mix of modern collegiate gothic and modern architecture, and in many trees and gardens. You will see many features that are not listed in this guide, so please feel free to explore on your own. Take only pictures and leave only footprints. Please do not disturb wildlife deliberately, put garbage in its place, and refrain from taking food in libraries and outside of classrooms, labs and offices. This is the fourth edition of the walking tour guide and the campus continues to expand. The campus has grown significantly during the past few years to reflect the increasing research activities and graduate programs. A state of the art student residential center in the South Campus location, Biology, and Materials Science Building, are just a few of the several buildings recently completed at the time of printing this brochure. The beauty of the campus has been retained and is constantly ranked high in surveys. Please note that most buildings are open daily on weekdays and closed on weekends. The University Community Centre is always open. The information booths at Western and Richmond Street entrance are open 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Visit Western on the web at www.uwo.ca

Medway Parking Lot
As you leave the Medway Parking Lot, look at the northwest corner for a row of ancient looking India Coffee Trees, Tulip Trees, and Butterflies. A City of London bicycle path runs between the corner and the parking lot.

University Drive
Looking east from this intersection, you will see Elgin Hall, Medway Hall, Wyndham Hall, and Alumni House. These student unions offer refreshments during the summer vacation period for tourists.

University Drive Bridge
Students can now first right of Western at the square. This bridge was completed in 1953 using a mostly powered construction and linked the east side of the Thames River with the west.

North Drive - University Drive Intersection
For many new students, the view up to the University Drive Bridge is a more familiar one. As you look down this path, you will see the损毁 Hall building to the east across Oxford Drive.

John Labatt Visual Building
In addition to the old campus, the John Labatt Visual Building is home to the Fine Arts Program. This beautiful building also provides ventilation for the various labs and studios within the building.

Janey Carson
The career of the late university professor Dr. Robert C. Janey is in the name of the Janey Carson new academic wing. This wing was dedicated to the memory of the history prof. Janey Carson is now a state of the art office building.

North Campus Building
Located on the campus is the north campus building. The North Campus Building has an interesting outside sculpture area on the south side of the building.

Biology and Geology Building
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Allyn and Betty Taylor Library
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Bellrose Homestead
Located within the tower is the remains of the bellrose homestead. The house was built in 1847 by Dr. William Bellrose, and was extended by his son. The house is now located within the tower area.

Central Grove
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