



OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

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| 1. No. BUT-00165-01 REV | | 4. Present Name(s) Irvin Hall | | 5-01 BUT-0016 |
| 2. County Butler | | 5. Historic or Other Name(s) Irvin Hall | | |
| 6. Specific Address or Location 400 East Spring Street | | 19a. Design Sources | | 2. County Butler |
| 6a. Lot, Section or VMD Number | | 20. Contractor or Builder Unknown | | |
| 7. City or Village Oxford | | 21. Building Type or Plan Other Building Type | | 4. Present or Historic Name(s) Irvin Hall |
| 9. U.T.M. Reference Quadrangle Name: Oxford 16 694689 4375370 Zone Easting Northing | | 22. Original Use, if apparent College/University | | |
| 10. Classification: Building | | 23. Present Use College/University | | |
| 11. On National Register? NO | | 24. Ownership Public | | |
| 13. Part of Established Hist. Dist? NO | | 25. Owner's Name & Address, if known Miami University Oxford, Ohio 45056 | | |
| 15. Other Designation (NR or Local) | | 26. Property Acreage | | |
| 16. Thematic Associations: University | | 27. Other Surveys | | |
| 17. Date(s) or Period 1925-1928 | | 28. No. of Stories Two story | | |
| 17b. Alteration Date(s) | | 29. Basement? Yes | | |
| 18. Style Class and Design Dominant Georgian Revival | | 30. Foundation Material Unknown | | |
| 18a. Style of Addition or Element(s) | | 31. Wall Construction Brick bearing | | |
| 19. Architect or Engineer Robert S. Harsh | | 32. Roof Type Gable Roof Material Asphalt shingle | | |
| | | 33. No. of Bays 13 Side Bays 13 | | |
| | | 34. Exterior Wall Material(s) Stretcher or running bond | | |
| | | 35. Plan Shape U-shaped | | |
| | | 36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates: 17. Original/Most significant construct 17b. | | |
| | | 37. Window Type(s) Modern Replacements | | |
| | | 38. Building Dimensions | | |
| | | 39. Endangered? NO By What? | | |
| | | 40. Chimney Placement No chimney observed | | |
| | | 41. Distance from & Frontage on Road | | |
| | | 51. Condition of Property: Excellent | | |
| | | 52. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies Structure Type Date Associated Activity | | |
| | | 53. Affiliated Inventory Numbers: Historic (OHI) Archaeological (OAI) | | |
| 42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Continued on Reverse if Necessary) Irvin Hall is constructed in a U-shape, with significant facades on three sides, a gabled roof with small gabled dormers, a wide cornice and frieze, and a stone water table at the foundation. The north elevation serves as the main facade, although the south elevation also contains an important entrance feature. The facade has gabled end pavilions separated by pilasters from a central section containing the main entrance. The gabled pavilions have cornice returns, windows with splayed stone lintels and keystones, and a 2-story blind arch containing the middle window. The center section contains seven bays, with a central round-arched window on the second floor and a recessed entry door with classical limestone surround at the first floor. The east-facing center wing has a long elevation with a pedimented pavilion at its center. The center bay indicates the location of a stair, with a large round-arched window at the landing level. The entrance here has a classical gabled stone entry surround and a fanlight above the double door. The door is reached by a set of steps. | | | | 6. Specific Address or Location 400 East Spring Street |
| 43. History and Significance (Continue on Reverse if necessary) An early example of the Georgian Revival style that would come to typify Miami University, Irvin Hall was built as a recitation building (north and central wings) in 1925, with a south wing added in 1928. It was used for offices and classes of the various language departments, as well as the Classics, Geography and History Departments. Faculty offices were located on the inside corridor (at the courtyard) while classrooms were placed along the outer walls. Its construction was financed by the State of Ohio. For many years Irvin Hall was home to the Business Administration department until the completion of Laws Hall in 1959. It was named for Horace A. Irvin, Miami class of 1874 and a member of the Board of Trustees from 1896 to his death in 1925. The building underwent renovations in 1974 continued... | | | | |
| 44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52) Irvin Hall occupies an important site overlooking the original 'Old Main' quadrangle on the Miami University campus. Benches have been installed in an amphitheater format on the west side of the building. | | | | |
| 45. Sources of Information Getty Grant Campus Heritage Student Report, Professor Helen Sheumaker, Fall 2008; Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings Past and Present, 1966; MU Archives, building file; MU Physical Facilities, building information, 2005; Tatnall, Carrie, Ohio Historic Inventory Form, 1999. | | | | |
| 46. Prepared By: Judy Williams | | 47. Organization: Historic Preservation Consultant | | 48. Date Recorded: 07/30/2008 |
| 49. PIR Reviewer: | | | | 50. PIR Review Date: |

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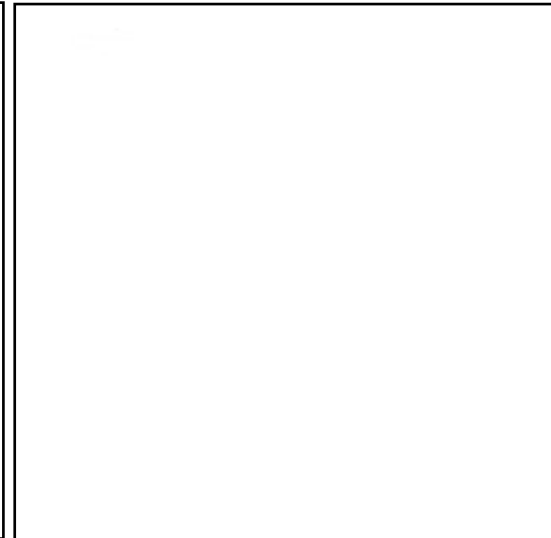
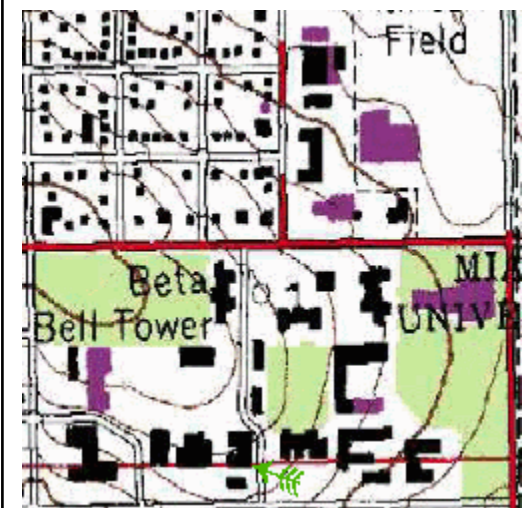
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8. Site Plan with North Arrow

54. Farmstead Plan :



Door Selection:
Single centered

Door Position:
Recessed

Orientation:
Multiple facade orientation

Symmetry:
Bilateral symmetry

Report Associated With Project:

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42. *Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)*

43. *History and Significance (Con't)*

and 1993. Today it houses language departments.

44. *Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)*

45. *Sources (Con't)*