### MacCracken Hall

- **County:** Butler  
- **City or Village:** Oxford  
- **Specific Address or Location:** 500 Center Drive

**Description:**
- MacCracken Hall is a 3-1/2 story red brick dormitory building, designed in the Georgian Revival style. Completed in 1961, it is similar in design to the other dormitories facing the same quad. The building is u-shaped, with wings that project to the south, toward the southern section of South Quad. The primary entrance faces north and is emphasized by a two-story porch, supported by slender columns. The porch has a wood geometric balustrade and modillion cornice. The door, with sidelights and transom window, has an entablature surround and broken pediment. The central block of the building is characterized by a two-tiered cupola with weathervane. A low porch has a wood geometric balustrade and modillion cornice. The doorway, with sidelights and transom window, has an entablature surround and broken pediment. The central block of the building is characterized by a two-tiered cupola with weathervane.

- The 12-light wood door has sidelights and a plain entablature. The porch is supported by wrought-iron posts with a geometric pattern.

- Only half of the porch is covered with a roof, the rest is open, forming an outer patio. Other secondary entrances have small porches.

- The rear elevation, facing south, has a circular porch covering the entrance. The 12-light wood door has sidelights and a plain entablature. The porch is supported by wrought-iron posts with a geometric pattern.

- The cupola, with urns on the corners, encircles the cupola. The rear elevation, facing south, has a circular porch covering the entrance.

- Other features of the building continued...

### Historical Context

- **Owner's Name & Address, if known:** Miami University, Oxford, OH 45056

- **Historic or Other Name(s):** MacCracken Hall

### Related Information

- **Building Type or Plan:** Dormitory  
- **No. of Stories:** Three and a half story  
- **Foundation Material:** Unknown  
- **Wall Construction:** Unknown

### Sources of Information

- Physical Plant Department, Construction Information, 1975; Flintermann, Peter, Miami Buildings, Past and Present, 1966; Miami Alumnus, March 1956; Miami Alumnus, 1957.
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<th>42. Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)</th>
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<td>include 8-over-8 window sash, Flemish bond brick pattern, splayed-brick lintels (with keystones on the first floor), bay windows, fanlight windows, cornice modillions and pedimented dormers.</td>
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<td>exception of Hamilton Hall and the north wing of Richard Hall, the buildings were designed by the architectural firm of Cellarius and Hilmer. Construction on the west wing was completed in 1957, and the building was known as Center Hall, at that time. The central portion and the east wing were completed in 1961, and the dormitory was renamed MacCracken Hall. All sections of MacCracken Hall were designed by Cellarius and Hilmer. MacCracken Hall contains rooms and sorority suites for upper class women. Completed for a cost of $1,690,000, MacCracken Hall was dedicated September 16, 1961, in honor of Henry Mitchell MacCracken. An Oxford native, Henry MacCracken graduated from Miami in 1857. He was an educator and Presbyterian minister. He was a founder of the College of Wooster and served as chancellor of the Western University of Pennsylvania and New York University.</td>
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