The Collaboratory Lab. Being a research master’s student, my most favorite thing in the department is the lab space. It spans the whole 3rd floor of Scott Hall and allows us to collaborate between projects and labs. This makes us a part of the BME department as a community and not just a research lab.

The interdisciplinary nature. I have heard that about many institutions, but I have seen truly interdisciplinary work with respect to research conducted and courses offered at CMU. Courses offered can be taken by students of any department and so is working in labs for students. My favorite spot in CMU is the Hunt Library, it offers space for students to work and collaborate with a great view of Schenley Park.

The importance is given to research and students. CMU is a smaller institution than most and that definitely helps when it comes to what the professors are invested in. They are student-centric while giving equal attention to their research.

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