SCIENCE FUTURES BUILDING
A NEXT-GENERATION HOME FOR THE FUTURE OF SCIENCE AT CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

The foundation of Carnegie Mellon’s vision for the future of science is the new science futures building, which will bring together research that spans foundational sciences, machine learning, engineering and data analytics seamlessly under one roof and be unlike any existing science building.

Designed to spark collaboration at the forefront of science and positioned as a gateway to campus, this $210 million, cutting-edge building will create new connections and remove boundaries between people and disciplines at the Mellon College of Science and across all of CMU’s schools and colleges.

Made possible by a $75 million lead gift by the Richard King Mellon Foundation, the science futures building will be designed and built with flexibility in mind, allowing labs to be configured and reconfigured to quickly mobilize to answer emerging problems and respond to the evolution of scientific discovery. This building will foster new, bold paradigms for research of all kinds. Here, groundbreaking research will answer humanity’s greatest challenges and unlock mysteries of the universe, while the next generation of scientists will be inspired, challenged and prepared for new and evolving scientific careers.

With your support, the science futures building will be the place where a new era of computationally driven research takes shape, offering the environment, tools and resources our faculty and students need to revolutionize scientific discovery now and in the future.

PROPOSED HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SCIENCE FUTURES BUILDING*
• Research collaboration spaces
• Laboratory classrooms
• Shared labs
• Biological Sciences suite
• Chemistry suite
• Large and small classrooms
• Dean’s suite
• Café
• Meeting rooms

*Building planning is in its initial stages and will evolve during the design process.
Within the science futures building, scientists and innovators from across the university will create breakthrough discoveries through collaboration and new connections. This building, its modern labs and the synergies they facilitate will be key to attracting the very best students and faculty to CMU.

Opportunities exist to name spaces such as suites, labs, collaboration spaces and classrooms within the building; provide program support; endow funds to upgrade or purchase equipment; and more.

Your support of the building and the resources and programs within it will spur collaboration and allow faculty, students and partners to pioneer a new standard for science for the betterment of our world.

“‘The science futures building will be unlike any other science building in existence, designed to inspire collaboration, discovery and excitement in science.’”

— Rebecca Doerge, Glen de Vries Dean, Mellon College of Science

**A GATEWAY TO CAMPUS**

Set to be located on the southeast corner of Forbes Avenue and Craig Street, next to the Carnegie Museums of Art and Natural History, the science futures building will be a welcoming place for both the campus and Pittsburgh communities, offering event and exhibition spaces and a café. Through its proximity to CMU colleagues in other disciplines, including the School of Computer Science, College of Engineering and Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences, the building will provide a physical link to the heart of CMU’s Pittsburgh campus and will spark collaborations across fields.

The university is in the early planning stages for the building and will begin architect selection in fall 2021. Design will begin in spring 2022. The building is planned to be completed and ready for occupancy in 2026.