

Montana State University

LEWIS HALL RENOVATION

Long Range Building Plan Request

At 101 years old, Lewis Hall's physical condition, obsolete technology and non-compliance with modern building codes presents significant challenges for the teaching and research conducted in the building.

A renovation could double the amount of teaching and research done in the building, primarily in the areas of Microbiology, Cell Biology, Veterinarian Medicine, and Ecology. Students in these fields go into medicine, public health, infectious disease and vaccine research, livestock health, wildlife management, natural resource management, science education, medical laboratory science, biosafety, genetics, and a wide array of other biomedical-related and natural-resource related careers.

Lewis Hall:

- Lacks adequate fire suppression systems and alarms.
- The 4-story building is inaccessible to students, faculty and staff under the Americans with Disabilities Act, having no elevators, ramps, accessible bathrooms, offices, classrooms or teaching labs.
- Its mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems are inefficient, at risk of failure, and cannot support additional use as enrollment grows. Some building systems are more than 60 years old and are beyond their useful life.
- Lacks modern classrooms equipped with contemporary technology.



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Lewis Hall is inaccessible under the ADA.



Lewis Hall lacks an elevator.



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