The CHARLES F. KNIGHT
Executive Education & Conference Center

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Successful Meetings and Conferences

Making your meeting or conference a success is a goal the Charles F. Knight Executive Education & Conference Center shares with you. Located on the beautiful, vibrant campus of Washington University in St. Louis, the Knight Center reflects the university’s belief in the power of ideas. You and your attendees will be energized by an environment that stimulates and facilitates strategic thinking; brainstorming and creativity; interactivity and teamwork; and, ultimately, results.

We start with a five-story, 135,000-square-foot learning facility designed specifically to facilitate world-class executive education and the most demanding off-site business meetings. This unmatched setting fuses impressive, integrative spaces and sophisticated meeting technology with a friendly, supportive staff of meeting professionals dedicated to making your job easier and ensuring that every aspect of your meeting or event is productive.

**COMMITMENT AND RECOGNITION**

To continue to offer impeccable service, the Knight Center is active in key professional associations:

- International Association of Conference Centers
- Meeting Professionals International
- International Special Events Society

The Knight Center’s commitment to hospitality excellence has been recognized through honors and awards:

- Recipient of the Pinnacle Award presented annually by Successful Meetings
- Designation as the “Best Place to Hold a Meeting” by the St. Louis Small Business Monthly
- Recipient of the Clayton Chamber of Commerce’s Cornerstone Award
- Recipient of the Planners’ Choice Award presented annually by MeetingNews for commitment to hospitality excellence
A Center Designed for Executive Education

The most effective executive education is achieved in a facilitating environment, and the Knight Center is among the world’s best in providing just that. Every aspect of the Center was designed and built exclusively with the needs of business and business executives in mind. Groups can choose from several meeting space options to best fit their objectives. State-of-the-art technology is integrated seamlessly throughout our spaces. You will always find knowledgeable on-site staff capable of supporting advanced computer, audiovisual and presentation technology.

ACADEMIC GATHERINGS

As part of a vibrant college campus, the Knight Center is an ideal and convenient setting for academic gatherings:

- Seminars
- Symposia
- Conferences
- Small and large group workshops
- Panel discussions
3 tiered classrooms, each seating between 72–106 — ideal for large and formal presentations. Each classroom is equipped with:

- Ergonomic podium with 2 computers and touch pads to control computer commands, sound, videotaping, video playback, 3 overhead screens and lighting
- Power and high-speed Internet access at virtually every seat
- A state-of-the-art audiovisual command center operated by full-time experts

3 flat classrooms, each seating between 10–60, with furniture that can be reconfigured with ease for your event — ideal for collaborative planning or other working sessions. Each classroom is equipped with:

- Ergonomic podium with a computer and touch pad to control computer commands, sound, videotaping, video playback, overhead screens and lighting
- Power and high-speed Internet access
- A state-of-the-art audiovisual command center operated by full-time experts

1 formal corporate boardroom with seating for 26 around an elegant table of granite and mahogany

A beautiful 225-seat formal dining room

Private dining rooms seating 20–100 for more intimate functions

16 breakout/conference rooms clustered for easy access, each fully equipped with comfortable, ergonomically designed task chairs; computer; printer; phone; and table wired for laptop data and power

9 breakout/conference rooms conveniently located on hotel floors for overnight guests
Convenience, Comfort, Elegance

Outside your meeting, participants can work or unwind in comfort. We provide a wide range of services and amenities:

- The Pub Lounge, which is available for private functions
- A gracious 225-seat formal dining room and private dining rooms for more intimate functions
- Fine cuisine featuring a variety of flavorful and healthy dishes
- An outdoor courtyard for dining or relaxing
- A spacious lobby and several private nooks for reading and conversation
- A 24-hour business center with a copier, computer and fax machine
- Professional staff to assist your guests
LUXURY HOTEL

Your overnight participants can enjoy the Knight Center’s deluxe accommodations:

- 66 beautifully appointed guest rooms with queen-size beds
- Pantries stocked with complimentary snacks and beverages on each guest room floor
- An on-site fitness center with elliptical machines, treadmills, stairclimbers, stationary bikes, a four-station universal gym, ceiling-mounted televisions, showers and lockers
- Complimentary self-service laundry areas on each guest room floor
- Complimentary morning newspapers
ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

The Knight Center’s daily operations reflect our commitment to environmental sustainability. We continually adjust our operations to maximize energy efficiency, waste reduction and use of local suppliers.

Washington University is a smoke-free campus.
Sparkling Social Events

To make your special social event memorable and rewarding for you and your guests, the Knight Center will help with all the details — from décor to seating to catering. Our elegant, spacious facility adapts for events ranging from intimate gatherings to black-tie galas, including:

- Receptions
- Private parties
- Banquets
- Reunions
- Graduation ceremonies
Washington University in St. Louis

As a Knight Center guest, you can enjoy our unique location on the campus of Washington University in St. Louis. This independent, medium-sized university is counted among the world’s leaders in teaching and research. Washington University challenges its faculty and students alike — drawn from all 50 states and more than 110 nations — to seek new knowledge and greater understanding through our world-class schools in arts & sciences, business, design & visual arts, engineering, law, medicine and social work.

A wealth of campus resources await you outside the Knight Center:

- The Edison Theatre showcases national, international and student artists performing music, dance and theater.
- The Mildred Lane Kemper Art Museum has one of the finest university collections in the nation with strong holdings of 19th-, 20th- and 21st-century European and American art.
- The Campus Bookstore offers general interest books and magazines, course books, office and art supplies, Washington University apparel and gift items, and computers.
- Washington University Libraries, open to the public, constitute the region’s most comprehensive research and teaching library system.
- Many university events — including lectures by some of the most important voices in contemporary society, concerts and recitals, and varsity sports — are open to the public.
Executive Education Programs

Building upon Washington University’s national reputation, Olin Business School delivers focused and results-driven executive education and development opportunities to members of the business community in the United States and abroad.

Cited by *BusinessWeek* as a leader in creating innovative and specialized executive education, Olin’s programs range from the Executive MBA degree to topic-focused seminars and platforms to customized corporate learning experiences that help organizations cultivate high-potential employees and manage cultural change.

Programs residing at Washington University’s Danforth Campus in the Charles F. Knight Executive Education & Conference Center include:

- **Executive MBA** — Executives can pursue world-class graduate studies without interrupting their career through the flexible weekend or monthly format of our Executive MBA Program. For information, contact program staff at 314.935.EMBA or emba@wustl.edu.

- **Executive Education Seminars** — Through Olin’s one- and two-day open-enrollment seminars, mid- and senior-level executives gain knowledge and skills on a variety of leading-edge business topics that they can apply immediately to their firms. Contact the Olin Partners’ Program staff at 314.935.9494 or ExecProg@olin.wustl.edu.

- **Custom Executive and Consulting Programs** — Olin develops customized education and consulting programs for organizations to hone their executives’ business and leadership skills. Olin professors — internationally renowned researchers, managers and consultants — are an invaluable resource for Olin Custom Executive Programs, as well as for meetings or conferences as instructors, panel members or guest speakers. For information, call 314.935.8976.

[www.olin.wustl.edu/execprog](http://www.olin.wustl.edu/execprog)
St. Louis —
All Within Reach

The Knight Center, with its central location, can be your gateway to St. Louis, a thriving metropolis with its modern appeal and rich history. You and your guests can experience our hometown’s great restaurants, sporting events, museums, parks, historic sites, shopping and active nightlife.

Among our nearest attractions:

- Forest Park, one of the nation’s largest urban parks, featuring an outstanding public golf course, a premier tennis stadium, world-class zoo, history and art museums, science center, and bike rentals, as well as 7.5 miles of biking, blading and running trails, and an abundance of pavilions and other special gathering places for unique and beautiful outdoor experiences.

- A vibrant six-block entertainment and shopping district known as The Loop on University City’s Delmar Boulevard, which the American Planning Association named one of the 10 best streets in America.

- Saint Louis Galleria, offering premier shopping, a movie theater and dining.

CENTRALLY LOCATED

- Seven miles from Lambert-St. Louis International Airport
- Less than one mile from two MetroLink stations where you can board a light-rail train to reach many St. Louis attractions, including the airport and downtown attractions.
- Five miles from downtown St. Louis, home to the St. Louis Cardinals baseball; St. Louis Rams football; St. Louis Blues hockey; America’s Center Convention Complex; Gateway Arch; City Garden; City Museum; casinos; Anheuser-Busch Brewery tours; Washington Avenue restaurants, clubs and nightlife; and much more.
The Knight Center is named in honor of Charles F. “Chuck” Knight, international business leader, longtime friend of Washington University and Olin Business School both inside and outside the classroom, CEO of Emerson from 1973-2000, and champion of the role education plays in fostering the high standard of managerial leadership necessary in the world of business.

For more information
We look forward to showing you why we’re

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