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OCATION.

ne UMPC is located in the Charles
H. Clapp Building (CHCB) on the
south edge of the University of
Montana's main campus in
Missoula, near the U.S. Forest
Service off Beckwith Avenue.



Hourly Parking

\$1/hour



PALEONTOLOGY CENTER



Our mission is to enhance education by serving as a center for research, teaching, and public outreach, in order to preserve the fossil heritage of Montana and the American West.

OUTREACH

Tours

School or organizational tours of the CHCB displays are available by appointment only from 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday. Please visit the UMPC website to schedule your tour.



Fossil Show & Tell

Off campus presentation with a variety of fossils, including dinosaurs.

Fossil Identification

Need something identified? IDs can be done in person or through email.

Contact the Collections Manager for more information.

The Charles Horace Clapp Building was opened in the Fall of 1971, and was designed by Knight and Co., a firm from Great Falls, MT.



HISTORY

The UMPC was established in 2005, as part of the Department of Geosciences. At the core of the UMPC is the Research Collection that originates in the 1890s through the work of Earl Douglass, the first recipient of a graduate degree at the University of Montana (1899).



FACILITIES

Display Cases

- 1st floor CHCB: Highlights from Montana's fossil record.
- 3rd floor CHCB: La Brea Tar Pits
 Dire Wolf & Saber-Tooth Cat

Research Collection (CHCB 6)

- An estimated 40,000 specimens.
- Represents over 20 countiries.
- Includes microfossils, plants, invertebrates, vertebrates, and geological samples.

Online Database

~35,000 fossils have been digitized and over 7,000 have images.



9,000 year old grizzly bear skull from MT.