The Ohio State University Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry is a national leader in education and research, as demonstrated through its consistent rankings from the National Resource Council as one of the best programs of its kind in the United States.

But one of our primary facilities, Celeste Laboratory, is falling apart. Large blue tarps, strung across crumbling ceilings, catch rainwater. Students crowd together before classes and lab sessions, with no place to sit or stand comfortably while they wait.

We urgently need a comprehensive renovation of Celeste Laboratory. We cannot advance research, and educate the next generation of scientists, without it.

As a facility that provides instructional and research space for approximately 10,000 students per semester — more than 15 percent of the Columbus campus population — Celeste’s upgrade will have a significant impact on all students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields.

Renovating Celeste will empower our hardworking undergraduates to collaborate with faculty and graduate students on innovative research — something they cannot adequately do in the current facility.

The $30 million renovation will also be advantageous to industry. The labs provide hands-on experience to complement classroom instruction, creating more well-rounded students who will go on to be leaders in science, health and medicine, and engineering.

Please give today to the Celeste Laboratory Renovation Fund (316264), or contact ascadvancement@osu.edu to learn more.

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CELESTE RENOVATION: KEY FEATURES

- Common "soft" spaces on each floor for student collaboration, gathering and study
- Benches outside each laboratory to address need for additional seating before and after classes and lab sections
- Preparation and equipment spaces to complement larger stock room on first floor
- Faculty office suites with private facilities (second floor)
- Teaching assistant offices (third floor)

LEGEND
- General chemistry labs
- Organic chemistry labs
- Common "soft" spaces
- Preparation spaces
- Offices
- Undergraduate research
- Flexible space for offices or group study