The interior of historic Gwynn Hall now lives up to its imposing stone exterior. MU’s $12 million renovation of the College of Human Environmental Sciences’ (HES) home is visible from the foundation of the nearly 100-year-old building to its roof. Students as well as faculty and staff members now work in space that had fallen so badly into disrepair it was unusable, and the building as a whole enjoys a more modern and innovative environment, HES Dean Stephen Jorgensen notes.

Yet the renovation may well affect more than Gwynn Hall’s appearance and amenities, however striking such improvements have been.

With its creation of state-of-the-art research spaces and facilities, Jorgensen believes the renovation also positions the college for future growth. Faculty members will have greater opportunity and means to propose research projects that can draw outside funding, allowing the college to build upon its strengths, he says. In particular, Jorgensen points to the building’s new research kitchen, the MU Nutritional Center for Health (MUNCH) and a climate-controlled facility created for the Department of Textile and Apparel Management’s Missouri Historic Costume and Textile Collection. “It’s allowed those departments to create productive spaces for their projects and research,” Jorgensen says.

NAMING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE
Your investment could assist with updating technology, furnish laboratories and classrooms with new equipment, support research and provide for student assistantships and faculty enhancement. Picture your name on a classroom, office space, or design studio!

For a complete list of spaces available for naming in Gwynn and Stanley Halls and ways to support the College, contact Nancy Schultz, Sr. Director of Advancement at 573–882–5142 or schultzn@missouri.edu.
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