Welcome to the Idaho Central Credit Union Arena

On June 6, 2019, the University of Idaho broke ground on this dedicated special events facility on the Moscow campus, thanks to generous support from Idaho Central Credit Union, the Associated Students of U of I, the College of Natural Resources and many others.

This unique facility is a stunning addition to U of I’s residential campus, offering a gathering place for students, athletes, faculty, staff, alumni and friends for generations to come. The university is proud to exercise its land-grant leadership in building this dynamic facility with the wood products of Idaho. This arena enhances U of I’s academic expertise by creating a living laboratory for engineering, architecture and natural resources associated with the cultural and economic needs of the community and region. This arena is a showcase for who we are and what we can achieve together.

The innovative mass-timber construction of the ICCU Arena has brought together wood products industry partners from across the state to contribute to these educational and scholarly endeavors. The arena stands as a stunning example of sustainable forest product development.
WOOD IS INNOVATIVE:

- Wood requires substantially less energy to produce relative to iron, steel, aluminum or concrete.
- Wood is renewable.
- Wood stores carbon.
- Wood construction supports rural communities throughout the state.
- U of I commitment to hands-on learning is showcased in the arena, and it highlights our natural resource, architectural, engineering and music programs.

TALKING POINTS

- The U of I student body is the largest supporter of the arena. Fees from past, present and future students are used for the arena.
- The arena is 67,000 square feet and features a performance basketball court, a practice court, coaches offices, locker rooms, and a club area for premium seating and hospitality.
- The total capacity of the arena is close to 4,000 seats for concerts, speakers and other types of events.
- In total, there are 854 Glulam beams weighing 442 tons. The largest beam is 110 inches by 60 inches, 58 feet long and weighs more than four tons.
- The arena is expected to increase the local economy by $7.8 million in output, $3.7 in gross regional product and $2.7 million in wages.
- The athletic training room and cold water therapy pool are important elements for Vandal conditioning and athletic training therapies, sports nutritionists and sports psychologists.
- The big screens and video board in the middle of the arena can be seen from all seats in the arena. There is a 100-foot video ribbon board on the west wall and a 40-foot ribbon screen on the front of the scorer’s tables.
- Over 35 years, the student body will provide $17.5 million toward the project.

POSSIBILITIES PLAY HERE

As a home for all U of I students and alumni and a gathering place for the community, the arena truly is a feat for Vandals, by Vandals.

The arena is a living laboratory that showcases the entire supply chain from nursery to sustainable forest management and product usage.

The ICCU Arena is built with wood from public and private lands surrounding Moscow, harvested by local logging companies, processed by Idaho companies and installed by Idaho workers.