



Schofield Hall

105 Garfield Avenue
1914, 16, Collegiate Gothic



Schofield Hall represents the growth and evolution of what is now the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. The 'Old Main' first housed the Eau Claire State Normal School, which prepared teachers for positions in the public schools. One hundred forty girls and eighteen boys registered in 1916. Old Main was their entire campus as it contained all classrooms, laboratories, administrative offices, a model school, a gymnasium, the library, and the auditorium. Today it is the administration building for the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, which enrolls more than ten thousand students.

The building is named for Harvey Schofield, first president of the normal school. The brick used in its construction came from Danville, Illinois, and the stone from Downsville, a small community in Dunn County southwest of Eau Claire.