LCSC HERITAGE

Student Union Building/Williams Conference Center
Date Constructed: 1974, remodeled in 1999

The Student Union Building was constructed in 1974 to create student government offices on the upper level and a cafeteria, a game room, and a bookstore on the lower level.

A 1986 expansion added the Williams Conference Center and a new and bigger bookstore. The cafeteria then expanded into the space previously occupied by the bookstore.

The building is named for Edward V. Williams, a dedicated supporter of the college and a longtime state legislator who often successfully defended the college from political attacks. In 1973, Williams was tragically killed in a boating accident on the Snake River.

In 1999, the Student Union Building emerged from a complete remodel. LCSC students were displaced from the Student Union Building for more than a year while the SUB expansion was under construction. The $4.3 million expansion, which began in the spring of 1998, almost doubled the size of the SUB. Space for student activities—student government offices, student newspaper offices, student computer labs and meeting rooms, student club offices, and space for entertainment—increased by 110 percent.
History (taken from *Educating in the American West One Hundred Years at Lewis-Clark State College 1893-1993* by Keith Petersen), *Lewiston Morning Tribune*