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**6. Specific Address or Location**

- 121 Elm

**9. U.T.M. Reference**

- Quadrangle Name: Oberlin
- 17 397700 4571420
- Zone: Easting 514500 Northing

**10. Classification:** Building

**11. On National Register?** NO

**12. Part of Established Hist. Dist?** NO

**13. Other Designation (NR or Local)**

**16. Thematic Associations:**

- College

**17. Date(s) or Period**

- 1964

**18. Style Class and Design**

- Dominant: Modern Movements

**19. Architect or Engineer**

- Potter, Tyler, Martin and Roth

**20. Design Sources**

- Oberlin College

**24. Ownership**

- Private

**26. Property Acreage**

- 2.54

**27. Other Surveys**

- Poured concrete

**28. No. of Stories**

- Three story

**29. Basement?** Yes

**30. Foundation Material**

- Metal/steel frame

**31. Wall Construction**

- Flat

**32. Roof Type**

- Unknown

**33. No. of Bays**

- 15 Side Bays 5

**34. Exterior Wall Material(s)**

- Brick

**35. Plan Shape**

- Other

**36. Changes associated with 17/17b Dates:**

- Original/Most significant construct 17b.

**37. Window Type(s)**

- Other

**38. Building Dimensions**

**39. Endangered?**

- NO

- By What?

**40. Chimney Placement**

- No chimney observed

**41. Distance from & Frontage on Road**

- 100' approx

**42. Condition of Property:**

- Good/Fair

**43. Historic Outbuildings & Dependencies**

- Date

- Associated Activity

**52. Date Recorded:** 10/26/2005

**44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (See #52)**

This building is located in a relatively quiet residential/collegiate neighborhood and borders on a street, other dormitories, a college administrative building, a private residence, student houses, and a quadrangle. There are roads/sidewalks on the east and west sides of the structure, and a small parking lot to its southwest.

**45. Sources of Information**

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- **Door Selection:** Three or more
- **Door Position:** Recessed
- **Orientation:** Lateral axis
- **Symmetry:** Repetition of bay arrangement

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42. **Further Description of Important Interior and Exterior Features (Con't)**

A plate-glass wall & a door with 1 plate of glass covers a large flat-roofed hood with aluminum coping. The 2nd & 3rd stories have 4 awning windows each, set in walls of glass panels. Another bay of a brick-faced wall has a pair of awning & hopper windows. The eastern & western elevations are similar to one another. The short ends of the residential wings have brick-flanked metal panel elements with aluminum beams. 12 ‘doubled’ windows, one inside the other, of awning-hopper & sliding types are at this elevation. Each of these has metal surrounds. These windows are arranged in 4 columns & 3 rows. The south elevation of the NE & NW wings have, on each floor, 3 paired windows, 1 of which is a smaller bathroom window, a single window, & another pair of windows, all of which are awning-hopper windows with cement slip sills. The northern elevation of the SE & SW wings have the same window pattern as the southern elevation of the north wings with the exchange of the column of single windows for a stairwell/entrance like that on the ends of the residential wings on the facade. The ground level on the western elevation includes many single metal doors with transoms & 1 entryway covered with fencing wire. The southern elevation of the southern wing is, like the facade, divisible into 2 primary sections: central unit & radiating wings. The radiating wings have windows in the same pattern as the south elevation of the northern wings, except all windows are the same size & there is 1 fewer window on the 1st floor of the south elevation of the southern wings. The central element from this view is of a tripartite ‘step;’ glass-walled flat-roofed lobby on the 1st floor, a level of metal panels, & a brick-faced level, with 3 single awning-hopper windows, that bridges the 2 northern wings. The ground level projects beyond the building so that its roof forms a patio with a wood & metal railing. The walls & 2 pairs of double doors of the ground level are all made of plate glass.

43. **History and Significance (Con't)**

First floor, that has been used for all sorts of extracurricular and co-curricular activities, including experimental college classes led and attended by college and community members. For a time, South had a large dining hall in its basement. In 1997, after the closing of the dining hall, the dining/kitchen space housed the Campus Dining Service’s South Bakeshop, which provided cookies, breads, and other baked goods served in the campus dining halls, as well as cakes for special occasions, such as weddings and birthdays. Later, in 2000, a bookstore was housed in the former dining area of South. This bookstore was something of a stopgap measure, as the former student/college bookstore had closed, leaving the students without a place to buy textbooks. The bookstore only operated from January to May 2000, when a new college bookstore, managed by Barnes & Noble, opened. In 1997, South underwent a major interior redesign, including laying new carpeting in common spaces, replacing lighting fixtures and the roof, adding internet ports in each room, repainting, and replacing common-area furniture. The goal of these renovations was to make South more ‘green’ and to update the décor while adding some elements of ‘southwestern flair.’

44. **Description of Environment and Outbuildings (Con't)**

45. **Sources (Con't)**