The **Main Quadrangle,** or more commonly**Main Quad** or simply **Quad,** is the heart and oldest part of [Stanford University](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanford_University) in [California](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/California). The collection of connected buildings was started in 1887 and completed in 1906 only to be damaged in the [1906 earthquake](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1906_San_Francisco_earthquake), repaired, less severely damaged in an [1989 earthquake](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1989_Loma_Prieta_earthquake), and repaired again. The exteriors have remained almost the same since the beginning though the interiors of most of the buildings have changed radically. As it was in the beginning, the Main Quad is still used for teaching, research, and administration.

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Main_Quad_(Stanford_University)>

<http://facts.stanford.edu/about/lands>

<http://web.stanford.edu/dept/Events/policies/quad.html>