The Industrial Design program receives a donation of tools from Styles Machinery in 1992. L. to R.: Styles representatives, Professor Fred Sitkins, Dr. Roman Rabiej, and Dean Leonard Lamberson.
The School of Aviation Sciences moved to the W. K. Kellogg Regional Airport in 1997.

It became the College of Aviation in 1999.
Aeronautical Engineering professor Art Hoadley explains experimental aircraft to student in hangar at Kilgore Road building; 1998.
Professor Art Hoadley (upper left) and students at work in the Aeronautical Engineering airport facilities on Kilgore Road; 1998.
Dr. Parviz Merati and student in the Aeronautical Engineering fluids lab in Kohrman Hall; 1998.
The University Farm

Once known collectively as “The University Farm”, the University properties just east of U.S. 131 and south of Stadium Drive included the Colony Farm Orchard, the Asylum Lake property, and the Lee Baker Farm.

The Lee Baker Farm, named by the WMU Board of Trustees in 1983 after the Professor and Department Chair for the Department of Agriculture in the College of Applied Sciences, was originally deeded to the University from the State of Michigan in 1959 in Public Act 269.

In the early 1990’s WMU President Diether Haenicke, with other community and University leaders, proposed developing the University Farms as a research and technology park. At that time the idea was not well-received in the community, although strong support grew for returning the Asylum Lake property to its pre-farming vegetation, with oak savannahs and fields of prairie grass.

In 1998 WMU President Elson S. Floyd made the decision to develop the Lee Baker Farm for a new College of Engineering and Applied Sciences building and for a business, technology and research park. An agreement with the City of Kalamazoo allowed part of the property to be rezoned for business and light industry, while the University agreed to set aside the Asylum Lake property for passive recreation.

In 2000, as construction started, the Lee Baker Farm was renamed the Parkview Campus.
Dr. Paul Engelmann and graduate students in the Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering plastics fabrication lab in Kohrman Hall; 1998.
Dr. John H. Cameron and student in the Paper Pilot Plant in McCracken Hall; 1998.
Dr. Raja Aravamuthan and students in the Paper Pilot Plant in McCracken hall; 1998.
Dr. Dan Fleming and student at the printing program’s light tables in Welborn Hall; 1998.
Instructor and student in the Printing and Imaging lab in Welborn Hall; 1998.
Dr. Daniel Litynski served as Dean of CEAS from 1999 to 2002. He oversaw much of the planning and development of the College’s new building.
Printing students with the ComcoFlexographic Press in the Welborn Hall Printing Pilot Plant; 1999.
Dr. Mitchel Kiel with Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering students in Kohrman Hall
Mechanical Engineering graduate students in Kohrman Hall lab