FITZELLE HALL

BUILDING a GREENER FUTURE

SUNY ONEONTA
The completely renovated Fitzelle Hall is SUNY Oneonta’s largest academic building, and the college’s first building to meet the sustainability standards for LEED Silver certification. Home to the college’s Professional Education Unit and departments of Africana and Latino Studies; Mathematics, Computer Science and Statistics; Philosophy; and Psychology, the 100,000-square-foot building has 23 classrooms and specialty learning spaces, and 113 faculty and staff offices.

Dozens of informal learning areas designed for student group study and engagement are sprinkled throughout the three floors in comfortable, light-filled spaces.

Recycling

The building has 12 large recycling stations in high-traffic areas, plus smaller units in all the office suites. Ten percent of the steel, aluminum, glass and other building materials used in the project were recycled.

The renovated building is 30,000 square feet larger than the original, but uses 20 percent less energy.

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Water Conservation

Low-flow water fixtures reduce the building’s water consumption by 30 percent.

Natural Light

Daylighting is a vital part of energy conservation. The skylights, window-filled atrium, and clerestory windows save energy and provide an atmosphere of open, green space.

Central Printing

All departments in the building are networked to 10 multifunctional devices, cutting down on printing and supply costs.

Promoting a Culture of Sustainability

A bike rack outside and two bathrooms with showers make it easier for employees to bike, walk or run to work.

Sustainable Landscaping

The amphitheater in front of the building and all the landscaping surrounding it feature plants native to the area rather than invasive species, which can harm the ecosystem by diminishing native species.

High-Efficiency Lighting

The orbital lamps hanging from the atrium chandelier are lit with high-efficiency LEDs. Throughout the building, there are 879 fluorescent lighting fixtures and 347 high-efficiency low-glare fixtures, plus 83 occupancy-sensors in stairwells and other locations to help reduce electricity use.

Insulating Window Glass

Insulating glass saves on monthly heating and cooling costs and also helped to reduce the initial size and cost of the heating and cooling equipment required to serve the building.

Window Awnings

Window awnings can reduce solar heat gain in the summer by up to 65 percent on south-facing windows and 77 percent on west-facing windows, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

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Hydration Station

Three hydration stations (among 14 throughout the campus) promote the use of reusable water bottles.

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The first-floor atrium features Seasons Café, the second Sodexo food service venue in the country serving locally grown and produced foods at every meal. Menu items will include Hale & Hearty Soups and Chobani Greek Yogurt from Norwich, Stagecoach Coffee roasted in Cooperstown, meats from Purdy and Sons in Sherburne, maple products from Shaver-Hill Maple in Harpersfield and honey from McCoy’s Honey in Franklin, as well as baked goods and breads baked fresh each day at the campus bakery. A “living wall” of plants adds to the atmosphere of green space and healthy living.

Seasons features local, organic fare that rotates with the growing season.