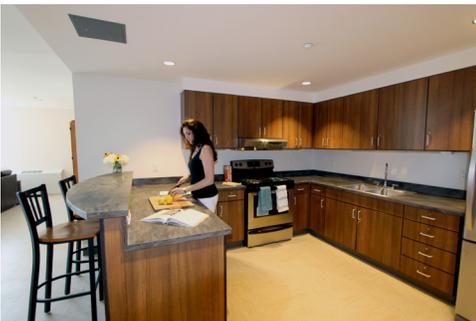


Ridgeview Residence Hall - SUNY New Paltz

New Paltz, New York



architecture+ designed this new \$26 million, 60,000 square foot, 225-bed, residence hall for DASNY on the SUNY New Paltz Campus. The site was previously a parking lot that created a gap between the main campus and two newer residence halls on the south end of campus. The orientation of the new residence hall on the site defines the street edge of campus, while incorporating a café at the corner of the building as a new social destination on campus. The strategic placement of the building, creation of a social hub, and introduction of pedestrian pathways re-connects the two remote residence halls to the main campus.

architecture+ worked with representatives from Residence Life to develop a design that provides a living and learning environment that fosters student engagement and provides a supportive and academically-oriented environment. This traditional style residence hall incorporates private use bathrooms in clusters in the bedroom wings. The arrangement allows for a 4:1 student to bathroom ratio while addressing gender neutrality. Communal academic and social spaces, seminar rooms, café, and social gathering spaces are integrated into the ground level. More intimate and collaborative group study, computer and social spaces are scattered throughout the core of the building. To further support this living and learning environment, a faculty living space has been incorporated into the design.

The building design incorporates the Campus' architectural vocabulary of brick and limestone. An elegant standing seam sloped metal roof has been incorporated into the design. Aluminum curtain wall systems are utilized to allow large expanses of natural light into the building at entries, public spaces, and the ends of residential corridors.

The project has been designed, utilizing BIM, to achieve a LEED Silver rating.