SCIENCE IV RENOVATION / PROGRAMMING STUDIES 2011-12

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THE PROJECT

DLM was asked by Ashley McGraw Architects to collaborate with them on developing a program for the renovation of the Science IV building at Binghamton University. The 2010 Binghamton University Facility Master Plan (FMP) called for a multi-phase renovation program to modernize the extensive complex of existing science buildings. The goal of the programming was to first determine the potential of the building to provide some multi-disciplinary space for the science division, and then to assist the Psychology department in defining a set of 21st century science spaces to support researchers, graduate students and undergrads. This first phase of the project focused on renovating approximately 50 percent of the building to allow the department to continue operations in the other half during the construction period.

CHALLENGE

The project concept was to provide stateof-the art space for the Psychology department including classrooms, instructional labs, research labs, faculty and department office suites, office space for graduate students and storage space.

The challenge of the project was to define all spaces needed in conformance with the University's strategic goal to promote interdisciplinary collaboration, SUCF's space planning guidelines and current best practices, and to identify the optimal adjacencies among the spaces to create the most functional, effective, and

engaging facility for the department's activities. The challenge had to be accomplished in just half of the building to allow for ongoing operations on a logical manner that dovetails with the comprehensive renovation of Binghamton's entire science complex.

SOLUTION

The programming relocated the department office to be adjacent a newly-defined front door to provide visibility, and a welcoming, functional presence for faculty, students and the many department research participants who visit the building. Research suites for investigations in behavioral and neuro-science topics are located on each floor to maintain a strong relationship between

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faculty office and lab space. High-quality office space for graduate students was included to provide a productive home base for these important members of the department.

RESULTS

The project is currently in the design development stage. It is scheduled to be open for the fall semester, 2014. The second phase of the project is scheduled to follow the completion of the first phase.

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