



# Kishwaukee College—Student Life Center

Malta, IL

## New Construction/ Addition

Student center/union

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### OWNER/CLIENT

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### KEY STATS

Grades Served: Post-Secondary  
Capacity: 550 students  
Size of Site: 9.8 acres  
Building Area: 75,000 sq. ft.  
Space per Student: 15.03 sq. ft.  
Cost per Student: \$4,750  
Square Foot Cost: \$292  
Construction Cost: \$23,700,000  
Project Cost: \$28,000,000  
Completion Date: September 2012  
Sustainability Rating System/Applied/  
Status/Level: Gold

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The new Student Center is bold, welcoming and easily recognizable as the front door to campus. The 75,000 sf student center is designed to accommodate increased student demand for financial aid, registration and counseling services, an expanded bookstore, dining facilities, student activity spaces and administrative offices. The new building sensitively connects to the existing main campus building, creating an exterior courtyard used for social activities, outdoor dining, art and performance. To accentuate the façade, the



wood tone and texture of the phenolic panels were selected to provide a sense of warmth and natural beauty, and to allow the building to be clearly seen from the surrounding farm fields.

Daylighting is used extensively throughout the center. Large expanses of glass allow controlled natural light to filter through the building, creating a strong connection between inside and outside spaces. Offices also benefit from right-sized windows that provide views out and natural light within. Other sustainable strategies implemented include ground-source geothermal heating and cooling, high-efficiency systems, a high-performing building envelope, use of local and regional building materials with recycled content, water-efficient landscaping and storm water management.