

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Middlesex County College-West Hall Edison, NJ



DMR Architects of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, designed West Hall, a 32,000 square foot enrollment services building at Middlesex County College in Edison, NJ. The building brings together enrollment services for current

New Construction/Addition Multi-use/joint-use building/space

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DESIGN TEAM

Johnson & Urban, MEP Engineering Consulting Engineers Collaborative, Structural Engineering MidAtlantic Engineering Partners, Civil Engineering

OWNER/CLIENT

Middlesex County College Edison, NJ Joann La Perla-Morales, President 732/548-6000

KEY STATS

Grades Served: Post–Secondary
Capacity: 12,800 students
Size of Site: 1.7 acres
Building Area: 32,000 gsf
Cost per Student: \$992
Square Foot Cost: \$396
Project Cost: \$12,700,000
Completion Date: September 2016
Sustainability Rating Status: In review for LEED Gold
Certification

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and prospective students into one building.

West Hall offers a "one-stop" approach to student services, a system that required a complete change to the college's business model. Accommodating this change required streamlining processes, eliminating redundancies, updating protocols and cross-training staff. The "one-stop" model addresses student concerns using a three-tiered approach.

The design of a building in support of this model first required a complex programming phase, a challenging process which included site visits to similarly functioning buildings out of



state. The design phase also accommodated for the facility to simultaneously perform two functions: the seamless service of student accounts, while also providing multipurpose and event space that did not interrupt the day-to-day operations of student services. West Hall, which opened in September 2016, now houses the offices of admissions, academic advising, career services, financial aid, registration, student account services, dean of enrollment management, and dean of student affairs.

