



Elgin Community College—Health and Life Sciences Building (Building A)

Elgin, IL

New Construction/Addition
Entire school/campus building

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KEY STATS

Grades Served: Post-Secondary
Capacity: 1,112 students
Size of Site: 4.2 acres
Building Area: 160,454 sq. ft.
Space per Student: 133 sq. ft.
Cost per Student: \$27,345
Square Foot Cost: \$190
Construction Cost: \$30,407,343
Project Cost: \$41,343,977
Completion Date: December 2011
Percentage Complete: 100%
Sustainability Rating System/Applied/Status/Level: LEED Silver Certified

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The Health and Life Sciences Building (Building A) was designed to offer real-world and hands-on learning experiences for students in various healthcare and life science degree programs at Elgin Community College.

A primary objective of the new 160,454-square-foot building was to create a state-of-the-art educational facility to prepare future leaders in the healthcare profession with an innovative learning environment. The building's learning spaces were designed to offer experiential educational opportunities and include laboratories, computer labs, simulation classrooms and problem-based learning rooms. Building A has the look and feel of a real hospital where students can practice everything from transporting a patient on a gurney via large service elevators to situating patients under non-energized x-ray machines.



Onsite health clinics are open to the public, offering dental and massage services to the nearby community. Communal spaces and conference rooms were designed for students, staff and alumni to use for collaboration and networking, and to foster a sense of community among their users.

Standing as a vibrant beacon on the campus, the central atrium serves as a gathering space for students from all health career programs at the college.