



## Nine to Nine: Transformation at SMU's Cox School of Business



SMU

RAMSA  
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## Learning Objectives

1. Example benchmarking against peer institutions and rebalancing space to meet today's needs
2. Review technology and space implications of today's business pedagogy and impact on facilities
3. Respond to the unique Architectural and Construction implications of renovation for education
4. Plan strategically for renovation projects to create versatile, economical, effective learning spaces





### 3 Big Ideas:

Enhancing connectivity, facilitating collaboration, and creating a 9:00 to 9:00 environment

Defining effective new learning spaces in the existing buildings, from individual quiet study to team rooms to large group presentation space

Creating a leading-edge business school environment while respecting campus architectural legacy & spirit

# 1

Enhancing the Student Experience by Improving Connectivity,  
Facilitating Collaboration, and Creating a 9:00 to 9:00 Environment





### Southern Methodist University

Cox School of Business  
Enrollment (Target): 3,200  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 1,036  
GSF: 156,604 (49 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 974 (.30 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 10 (320 students per room)



### University of Southern California

Marshall School of Business  
Enrollment: 4,803  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 2,521  
GSF: 350,071 (73 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 2,470 (.51 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 62 (77 students per room)



### Boston College

Carroll School of Management  
Enrollment: 3,182  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 1,012  
GSF: 120,066 (38 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 1,187 (.37 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: N/A



### Washington University in St. Louis

Olin Business School  
Enrollment: 1,966  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 812  
GSF: 177,509 (89 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 1,009 (.51 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 19 (105 students per room)



### University of Notre Dame

Mendoza College of Business  
Enrollment: 3,556  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 1,118  
GSF: 196,986 (55 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 1,224 (.34 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 18 (198 students per room)



### University of Texas at Austin

McCombs College of Business  
Enrollment: 4,752 Undergrad  
Annual Degrees Conferred: N/A  
GSF: N/A  
Classroom Seat Count: N/A  
Team Rooms: N/A



### Emory University

Goizueta School of Business  
Enrollment: 2,422  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 822  
GSF: N/A  
Classroom Seat Count: N/A  
Team Rooms: N/A



### Wake Forest University

School of Business  
Enrollment: 1,300  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 376  
GSF: 133,790 (103 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 748 (.58 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 10 (130 students per room)



### University of Kentucky\*

Gatton College of Business  
Enrollment: 3,379  
Annual Degrees Conferred: 937  
GSF: 226,328 (67 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 1,145 (.34 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 39 (87 students per room)

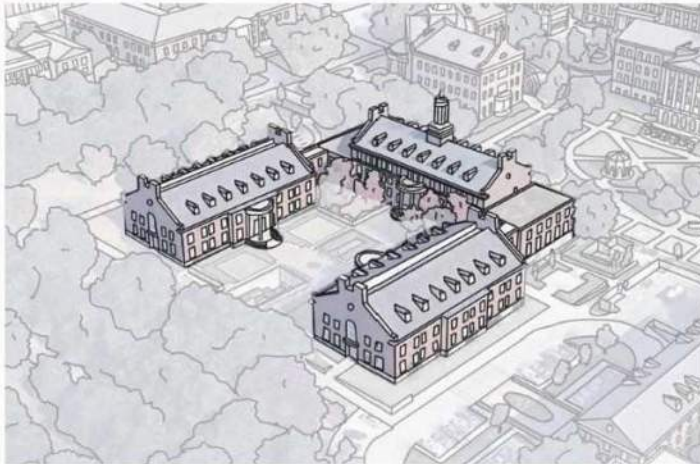


### University of Nebraska\*

College of Business Administration  
Enrollment: 4,399  
Annual Degrees Conferred: N/A  
GSF: 238,486 (54 GSF per student)  
Classroom Seat Count: 1,290 (.29 seats per student)  
Team Rooms: 17 (259 students per room)

\* Indicates RAMSA project used for informational purposes (not considered peer)

	Enrollment	GSF	GSF/Student	Class Seats	Team Rooms
<b>Cox School of Business</b>	3,200	156,604	49	974	10
<b>Benchmark Mean</b>	3,137	199,980	65	1,256	25

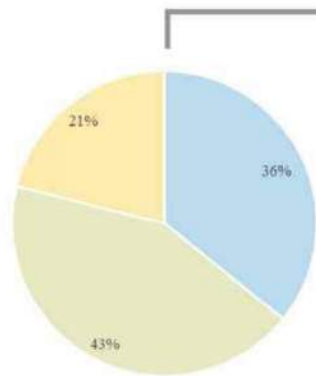
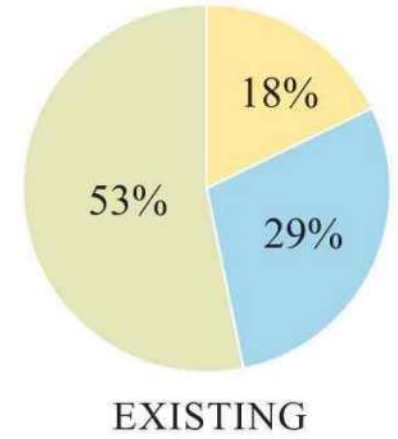
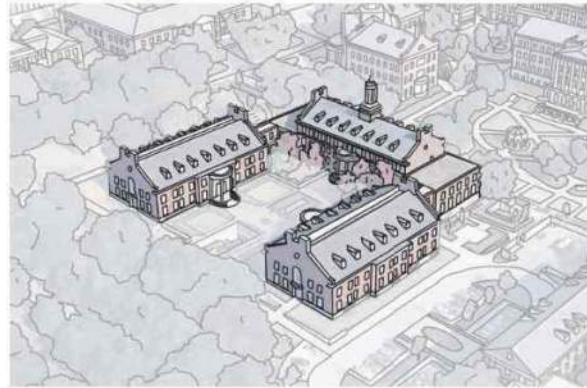


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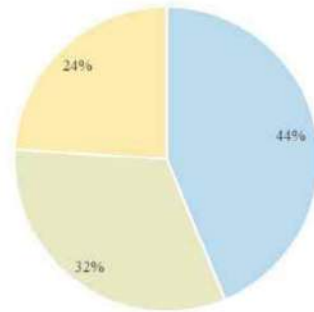
Existing:	→	Target:
156,604 GSF		207,740 GSF 32% Growth

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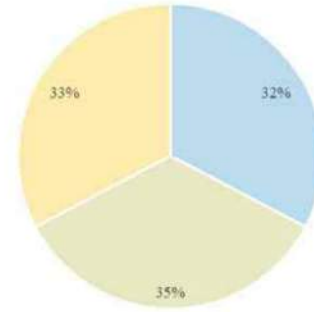




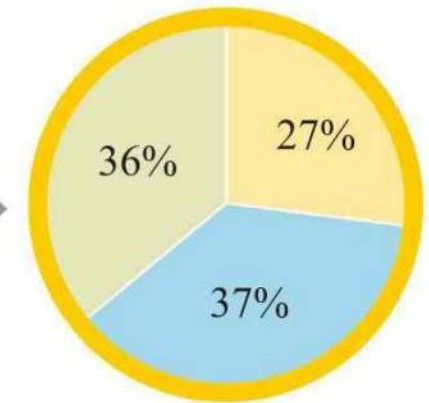
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College of Business



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Gatton College of Business



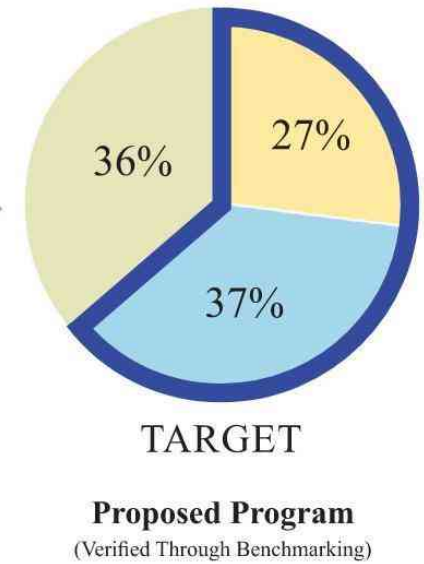
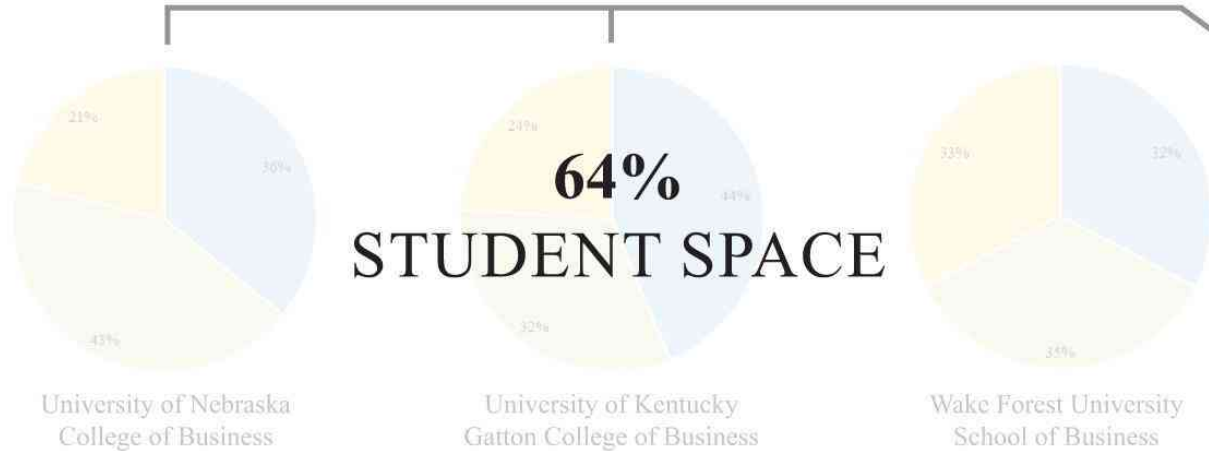
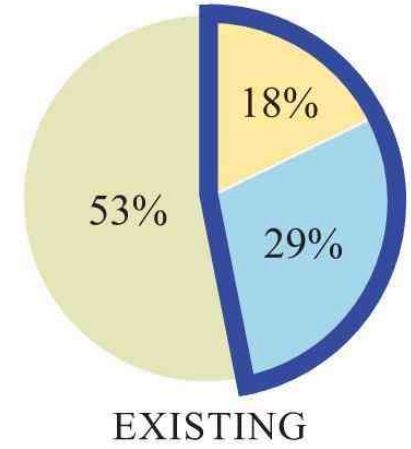
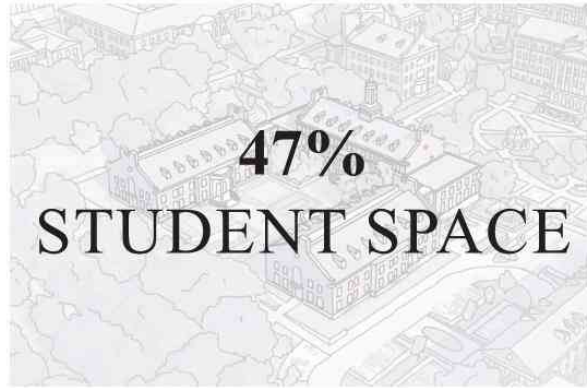
Wake Forest University  
School of Business



**TARGET**  
**Proposed Program**  
(Verified Through Benchmarking)

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Collaboration Spaces Learning Spaces Office Spaces



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**Collaboration Spaces**

Existing: 17,311 NSF  
 Proposed: 31,770 NSF  
**Growth: 14,459 NSF**



**Learning Spaces**

Existing: 23,236 NSF  
 Proposed: 44,068 NSF  
**Growth: 20,832 NSF**



**Department Offices**

Existing: 15,277 NSF  
 Proposed: 19,480 NSF  
**Growth: 4,253 NSF**



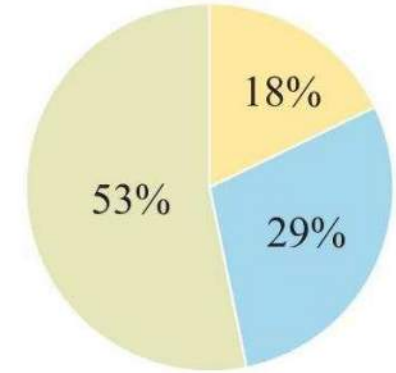
**Centers & Institutes**

Existing: 7,572 NSF  
 Proposed: 6,915 NSF  
**Adjusted: -657 NSF**

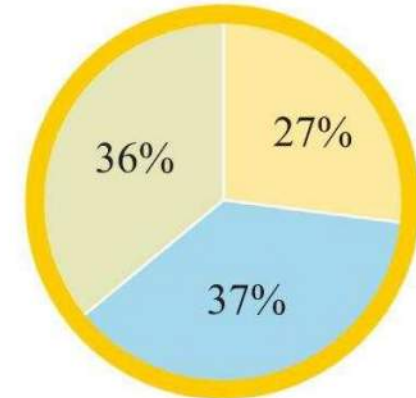


**Administrative Spaces**

Existing: 16,309 NSF  
 Proposed: 15,560 NSF  
**Adjusted: -749 NSF**



EXISTING



TARGET

**Proposed Program**  
 (Verified Through Benchmarking)

Collaboration Spaces Learning Spaces Office Spaces



Foster a “9-to-9” environment of community and culture



Enhance the student experience



Build community between students, faculty, staff and corporate partners



Upgrade classrooms to accommodate modern pedagogy and technology



Respect legacy of SMU campus and Cox Grounds



Build for the next 50 years

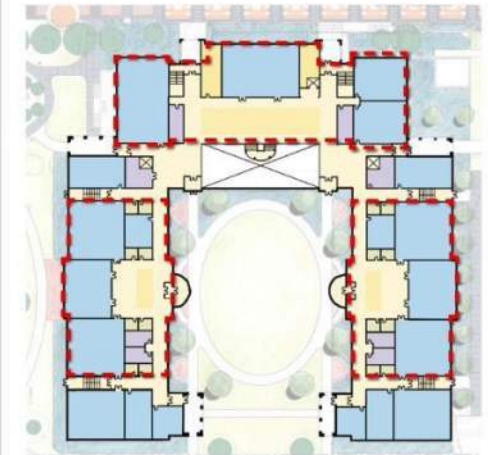
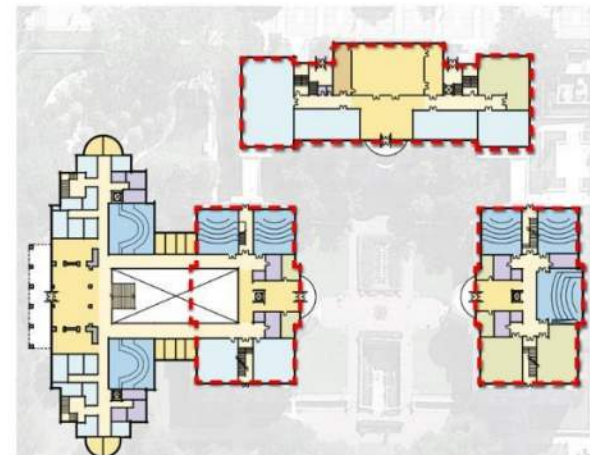
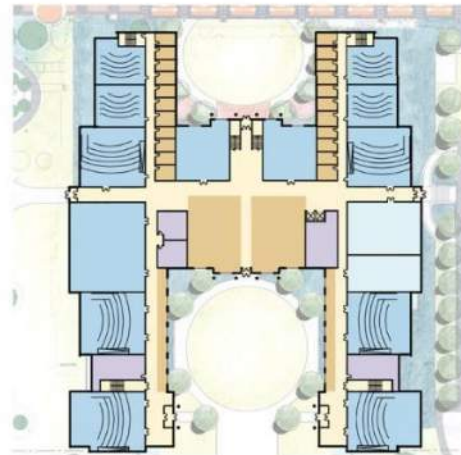
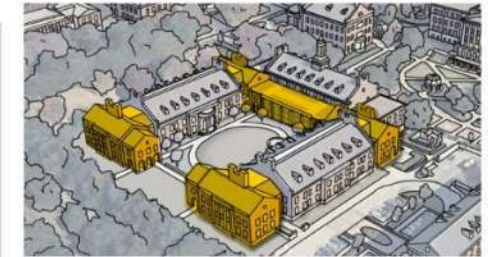
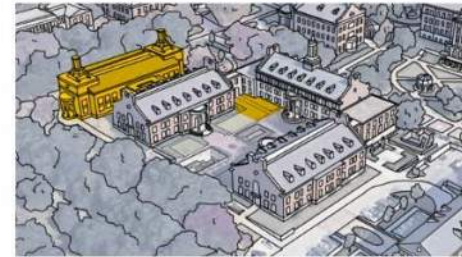
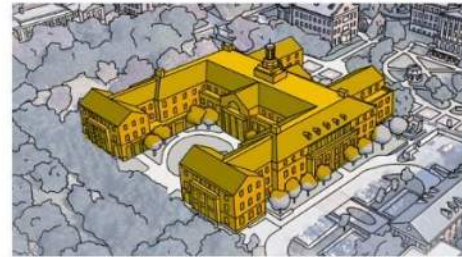
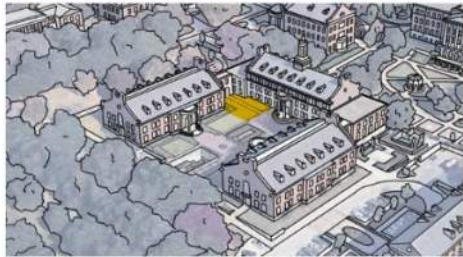


Consider operational impact during construction



Leverage fundraising and development opportunities






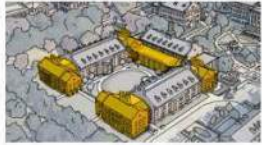


































**Strategy 1:**  
Renovation + Infill

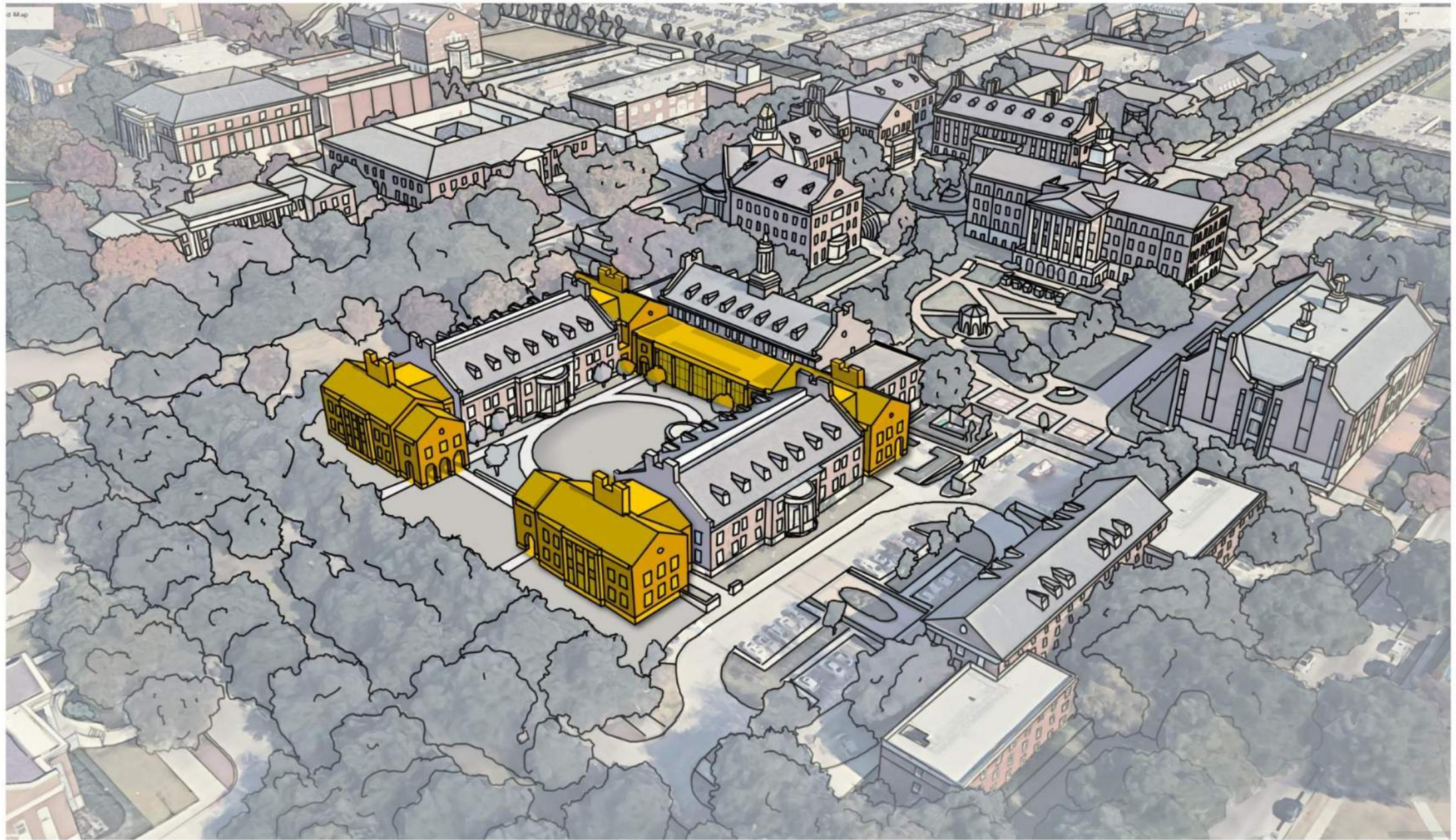
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Complete Reconstruction

**Strategy 3:**  
Renovation +  
North Expansion

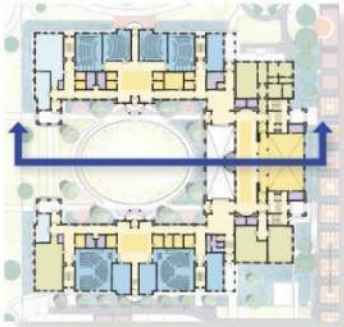
**Strategy 4:**  
Renovation +  
Centralized Expansion

				
Strategy 1: Renovation + Infill	Strategy 2: Complete Reconstruction	Strategy 3: Renovation + North Expansion	Strategy 4: Renovation + Central Expansion	
				Foster a “9-to-9” environment of community and culture
				Enhance the student experience
				Build community between students, faculty, staff and corporate partners
				Upgrade classrooms to accommodate modern pedagogy and technology
				Respect legacy of SMU campus and Cox Grounds
				Build for the next 50 years
				Minimize operational impact during construction
				Leverage fundraising and development opportunities
\$61M-\$73M	\$124M-\$139M	\$92M-\$108M	\$92M-\$108M	Anticipated project cost range
Summer 2024	Winter 2022	Summer 2024	Summer 2024	Earliest anticipated completion

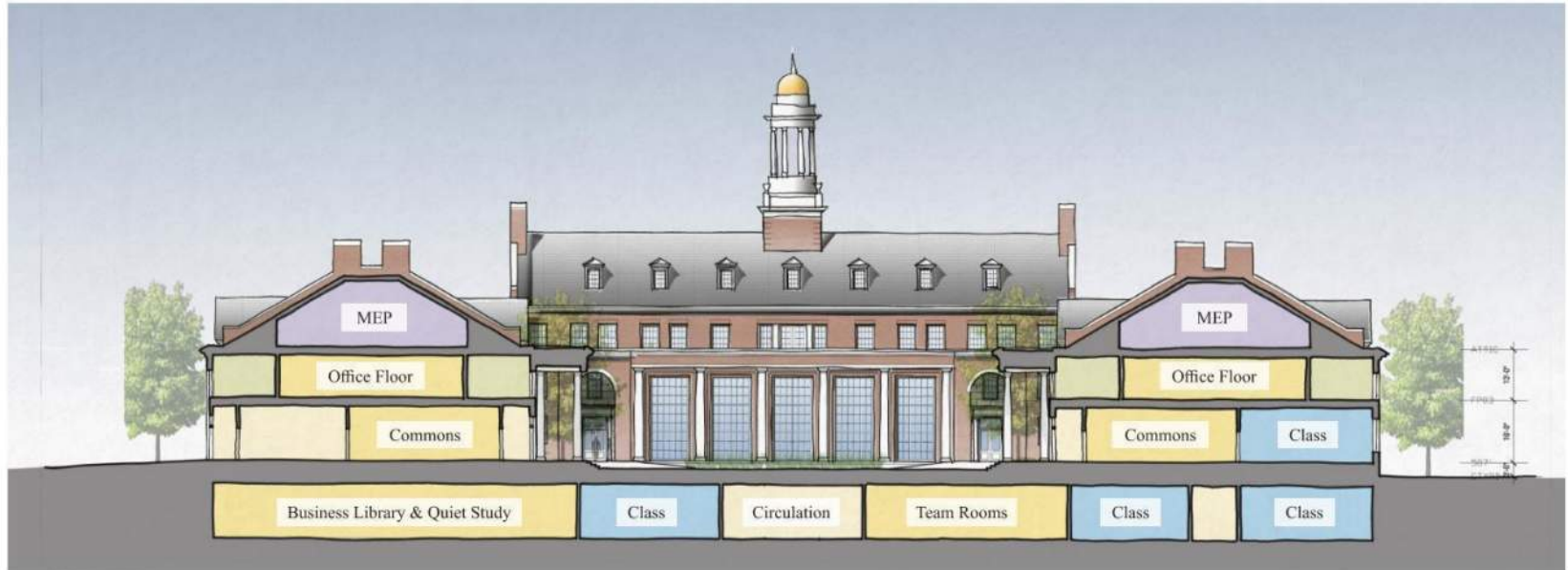
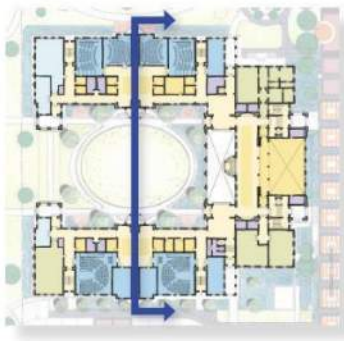








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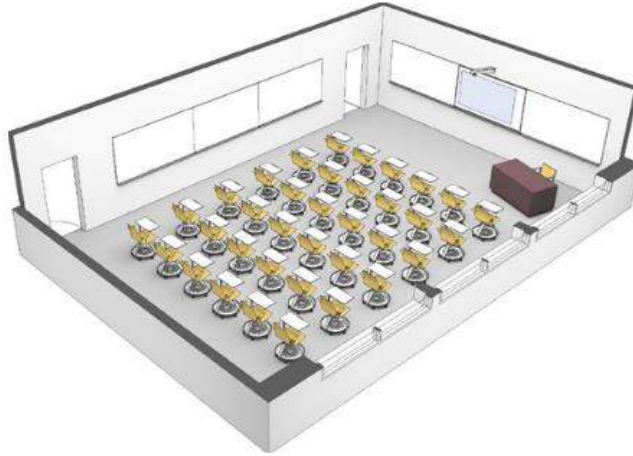
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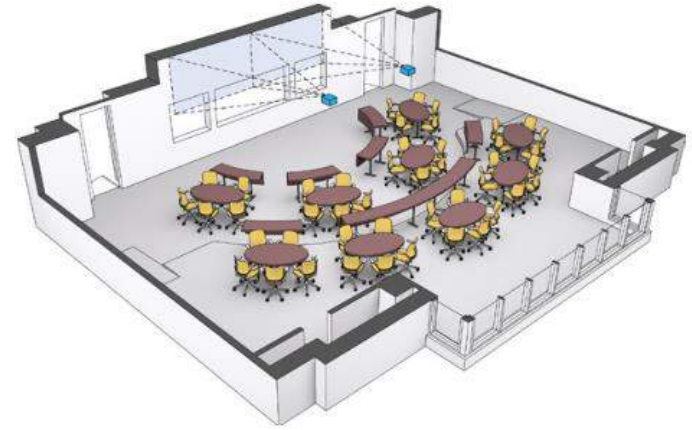




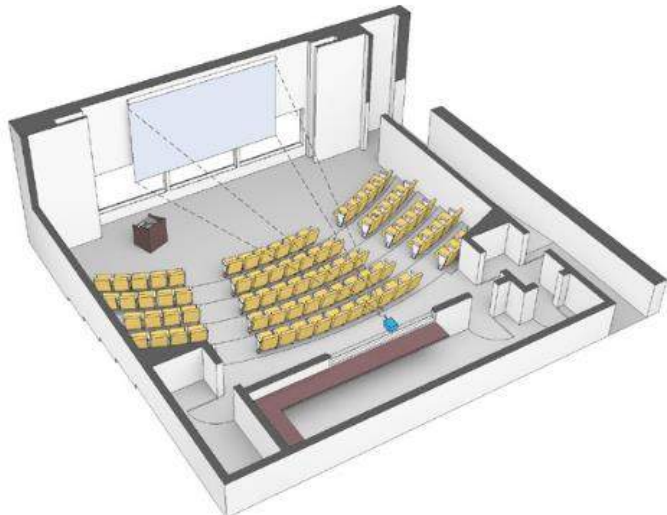
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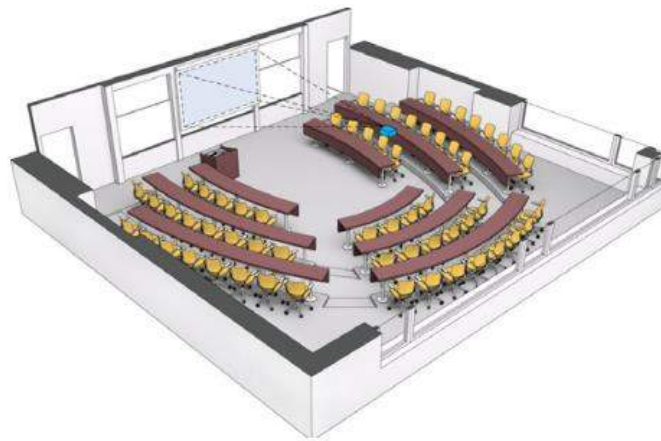
40 P Flexible Classroom



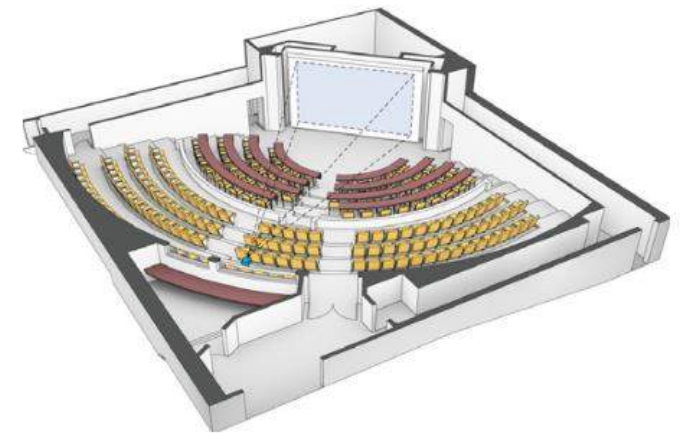
50 P Cluster Classroom



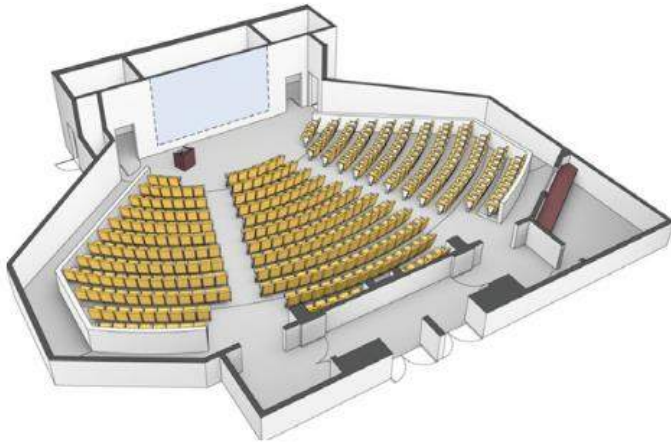
72 P Tiered Classroom



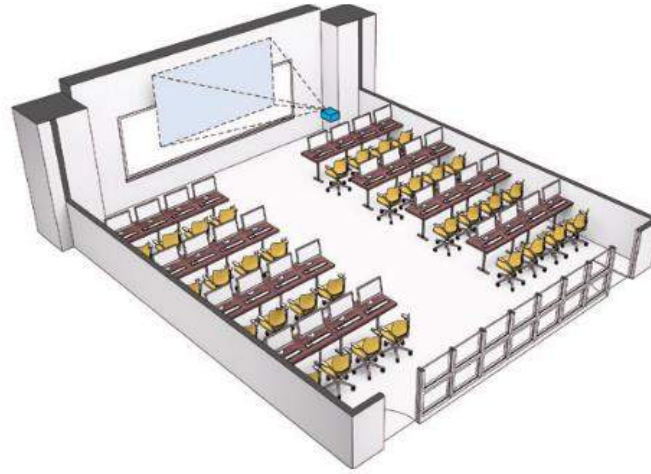
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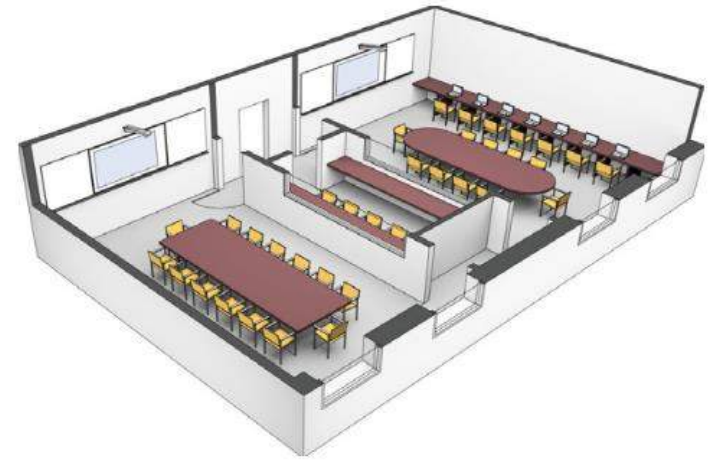
150 P Auditorium



400 P Auditorium



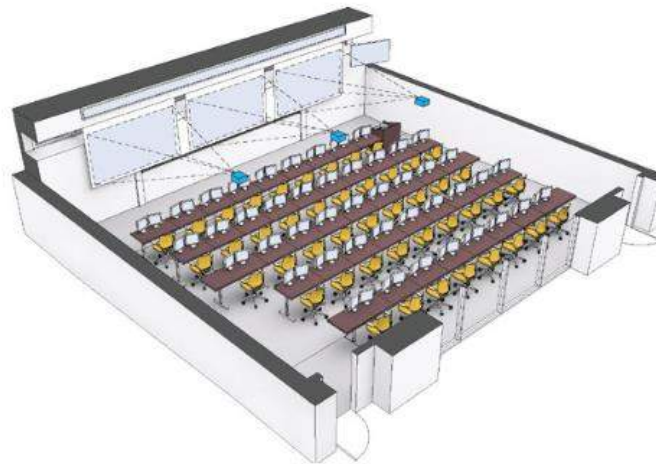
Computer Lab



Behavior Research Lab



Testing Center



Investment & Trading Center



Distance Learning Lab



## Classrooms & Lecture Halls



### Auditorium/Lecture Hall Style (2)

400P Auditorium (1)

150P Lecture Hall (1)



### Case Study Style (4)

72P Case Style Classroom (4)



### Cluster Style (14)

70P Cluster Classroom (2)

55P Cluster Classroom (8)

45P Cluster Classroom (4)



### Flat Flexible Style (2)

30P Flat Flexible Classrooms (2)

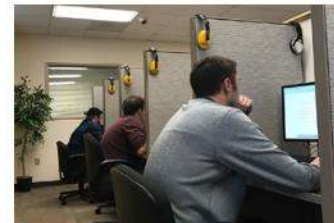
## Specialized Learning Spaces



### Kitt Investment & Trading Center



### Distance Learning Lab



### Behavioral Lab



### Testing Center

**Fully Fixed Furniture**  
(Integrated Power)



400P Auditorium (1)  
**Total: 1 Learning Space**

**Fixed + Flexible Furniture**  
(Integrated Power)



150P Lecture Hall (1)  
72P Case Style Classroom (4)  
70P Cluster Classroom (2)  
55P Cluster Classroom (8)  
45P Cluster Classroom (4)  
**Total: 19 Learning Spaces**

**Fully Flexible Furniture**  
(Floor & Wall Power)



40P Flat Flex Classroom (2)  
**Total: 2 Learning Spaces**



**Drop-Down Projection Surface &  
Concealed Board**



400P Auditorium (1)  
**Total: 1 Learning Space**

**Fixed Projection Surface &  
Sliding Boards**



150P Lecture Hall (1)  
72P Case Style Classroom (4)  
70P Cluster Classroom (2)  
55P Cluster Classroom (8)  
45P Cluster Classroom (4)  
**Total: 19 Learning Spaces**

**Fixed LCDs &  
Fixed Boards**



40P Flat Flex Classroom (2)  
**Total: 2 Learning Spaces**

# 2

Defining effective new learning spaces in the existing buildings,  
from individual quiet study to team rooms to large group presentation space



Responding to existing conditions  
and constraints





Creating inviting **community space** to enhance the student experience, increase engagement and interaction, and encourage students to remain in the building











Creating new **learning spaces** in the existing buildings and in new space reflective of today's pedagogy, from individual quiet study to team rooms to large group presentation space







Activating and reconfiguring **circulation routes** to provide a sense of orientation and improve the user experience, as well as defining more functional blocks of space for new functions





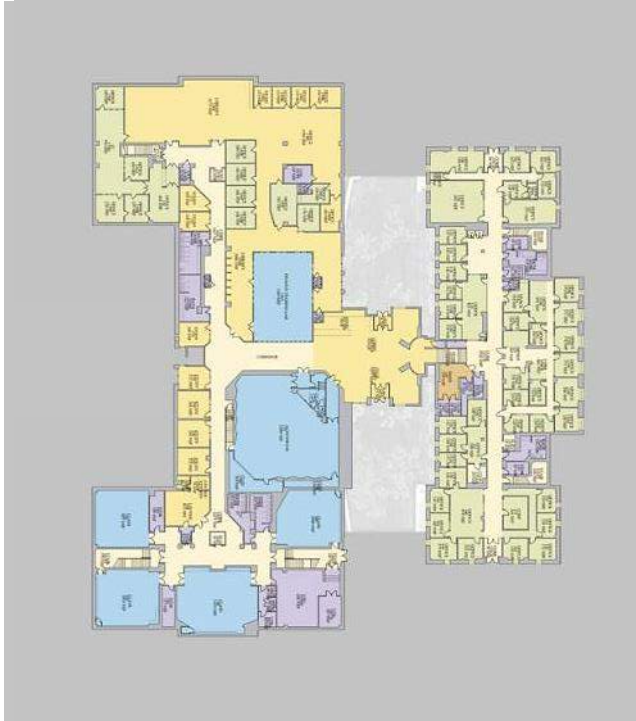


Updating and integrating **mechanical and technical systems** into the existing and expanded structure, enhancing building performance and ensuring future flexibility

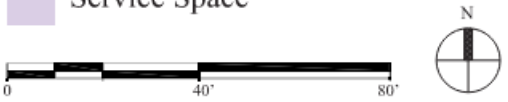




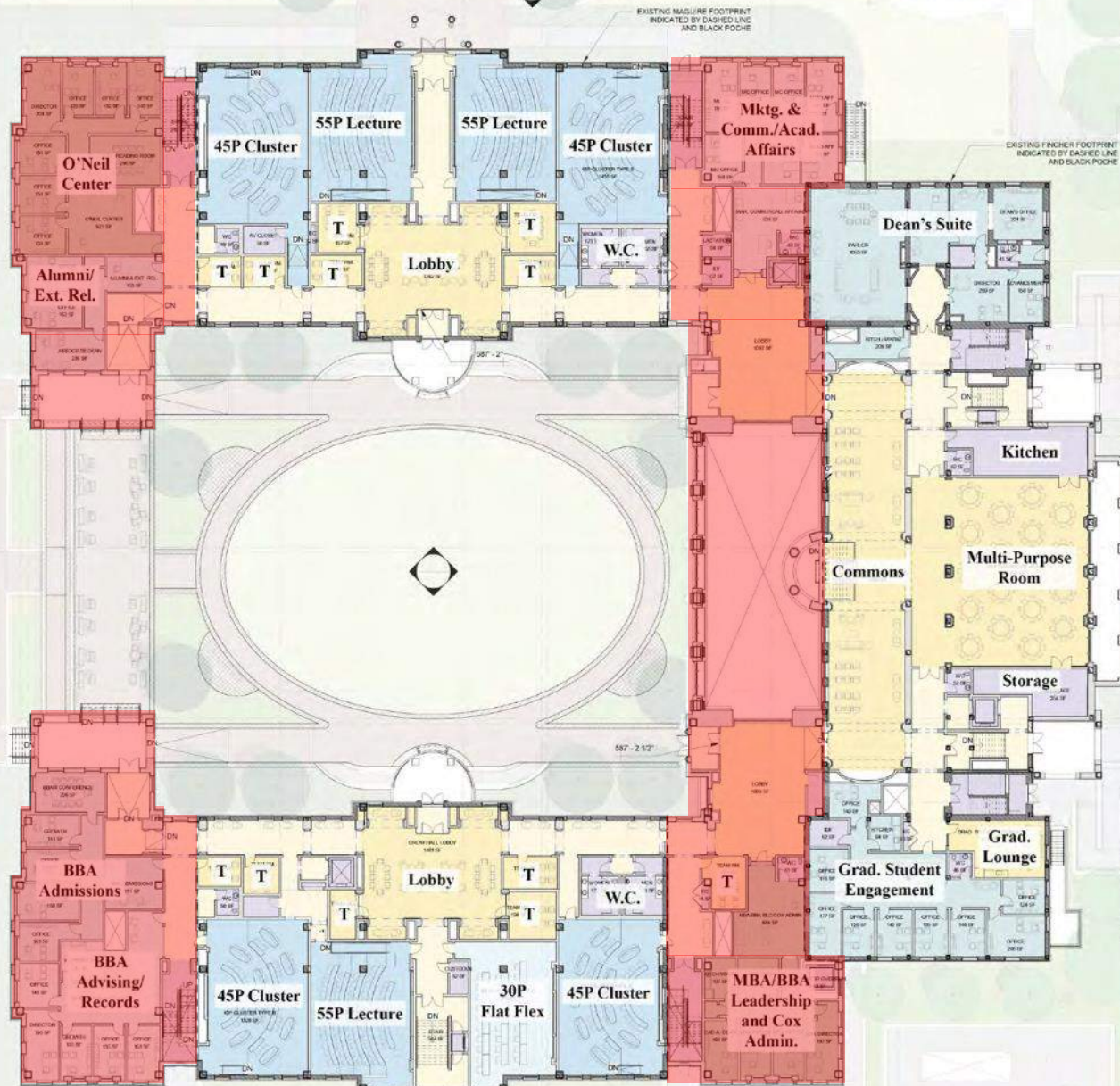




- Collaboration Spaces
- Learning Spaces
- Faculty, Suites, Centers
- Service Space





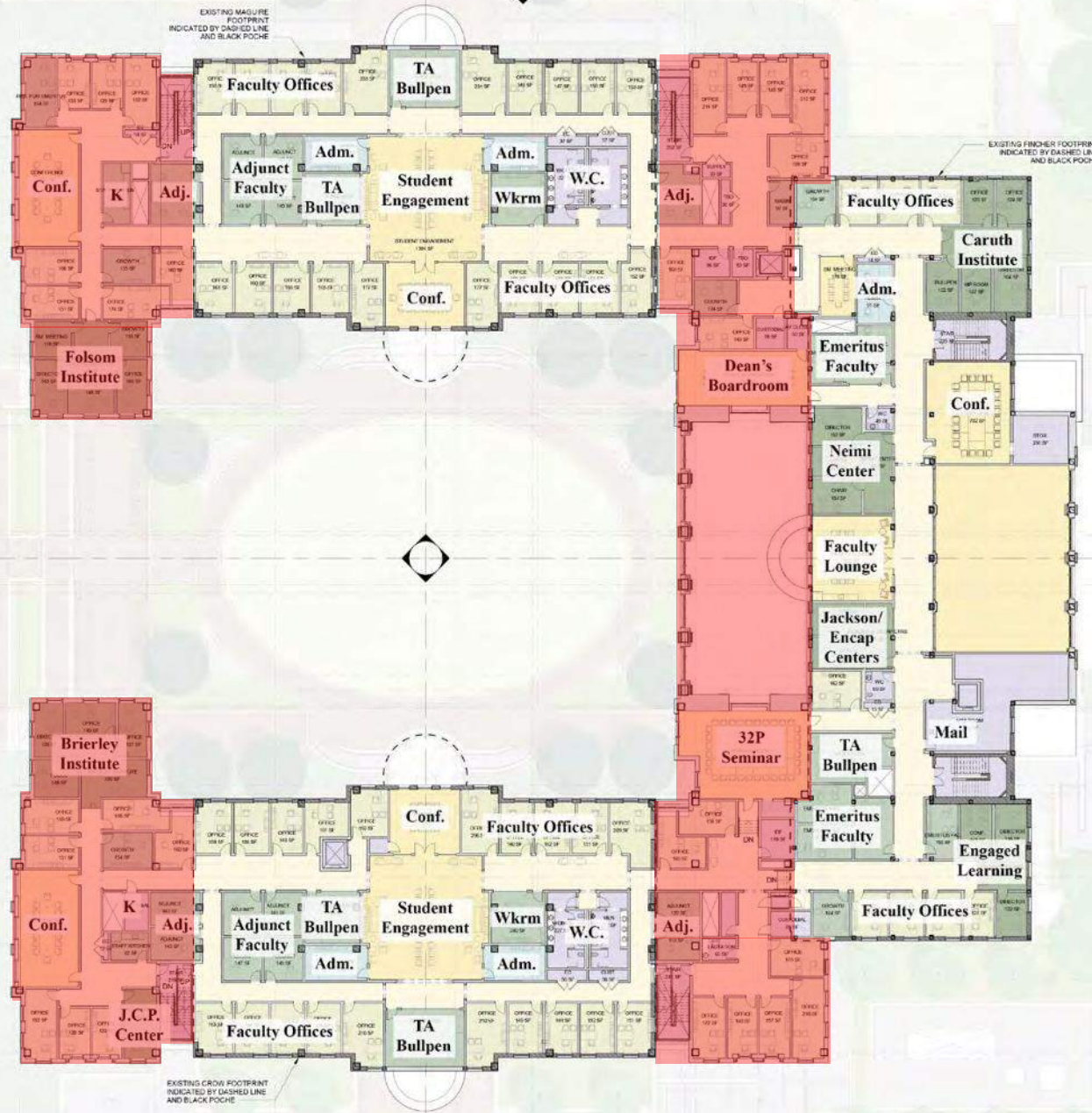


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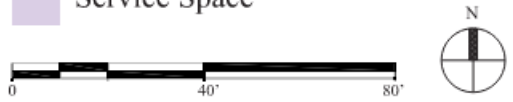




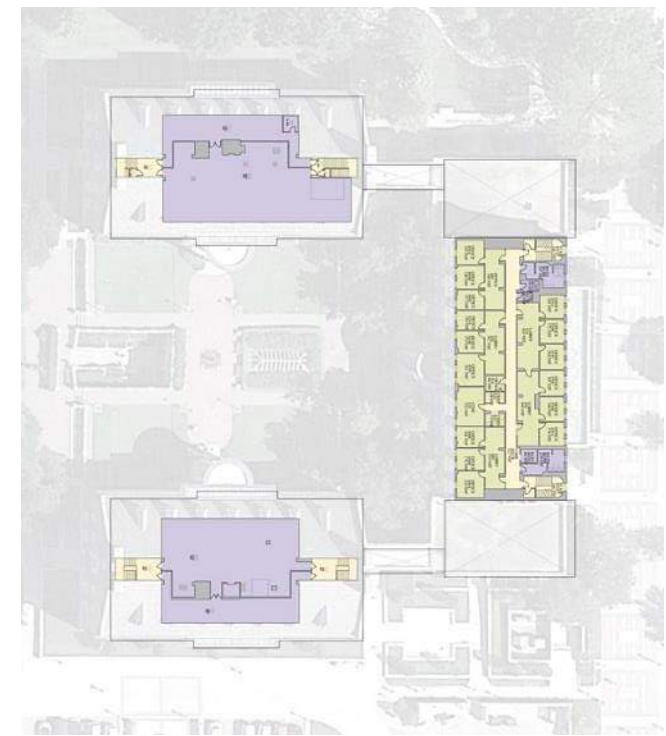
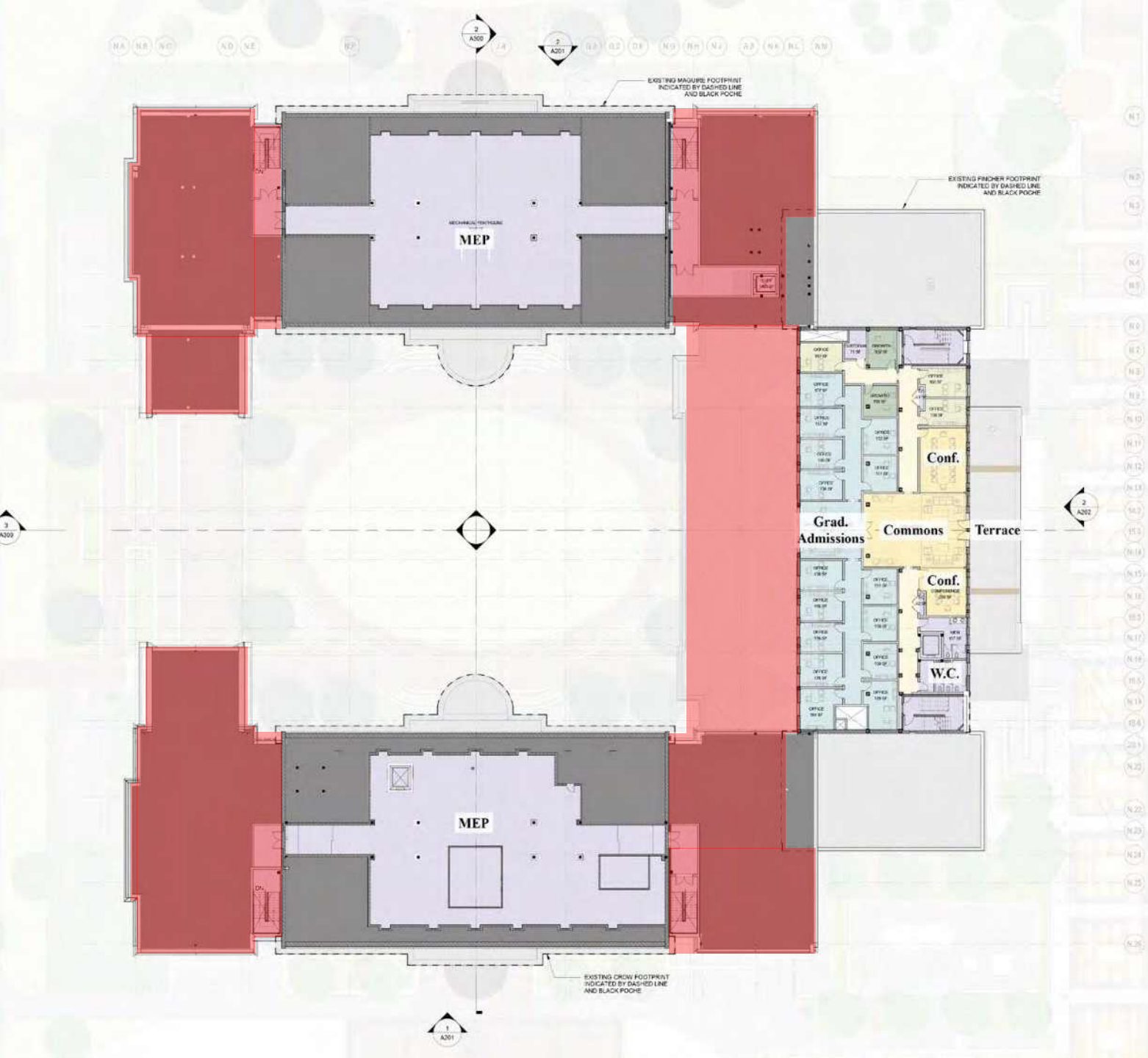
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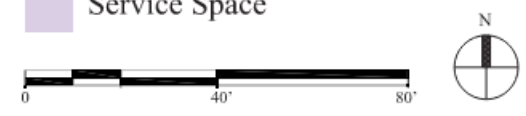
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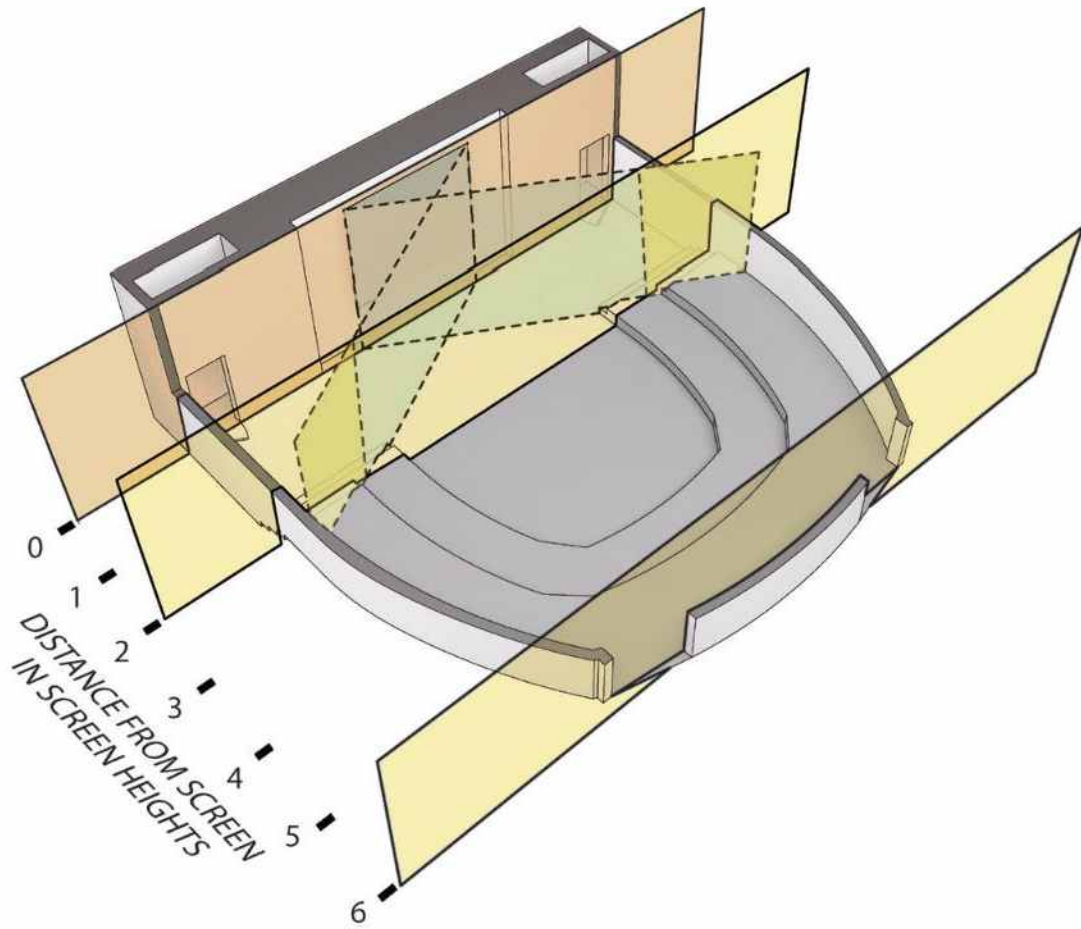






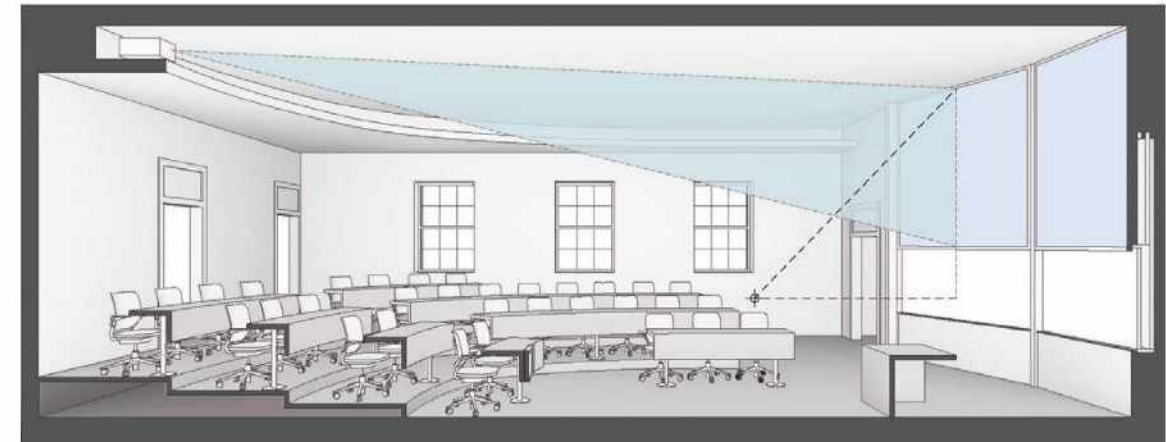
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## KEY PLANNING PRINCIPLES

1. AT LEAST TWO TIMES THE SCREEN HEIGHT BETWEEN THE PROJECTION SURFACE AND THE NEAREST SEAT
2. NOT MORE THAN SIX TIMES THE SCREEN HEIGHT BETWEEN THE PROJECTION SURFACE AND THE FURTHEST SEAT
3. 30° VIEW CONE FROM THE PROJECTION SCREEN TO THE NEAREST SEAT



## LEGEND

1. PROJECTION SCREEN
2. 30° MAXIMUM ANGLE FROM CLOSET VIEWER'S EYE TO TOP OF CLOSET SCREEN
3. LONG-THROW PROJECTOR IN CEILING COVE
4. DISPLACEMENT VENTILATION PLENUM BELOW RAISED FLOOR
5. CONFIDENCE MONITOR





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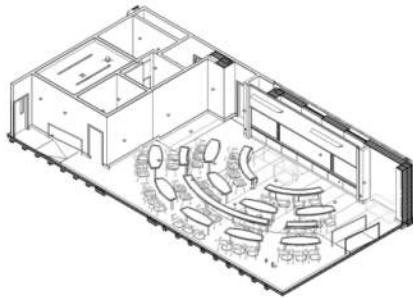
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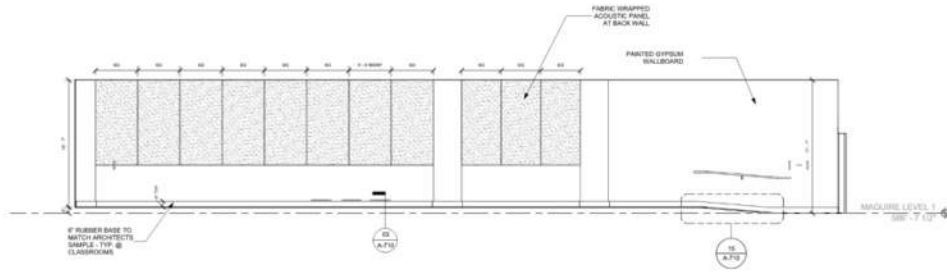
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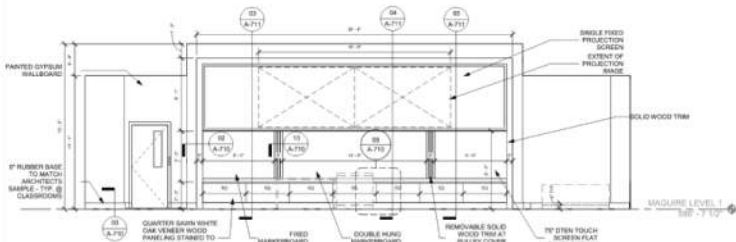
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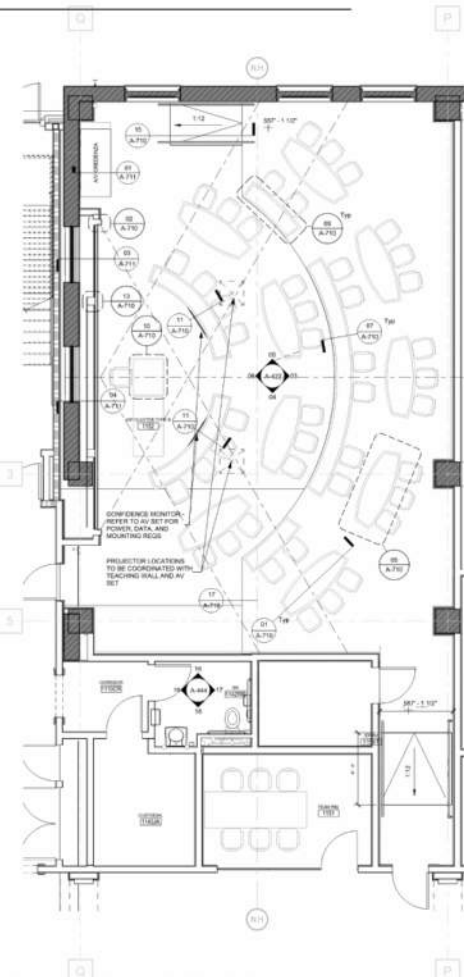
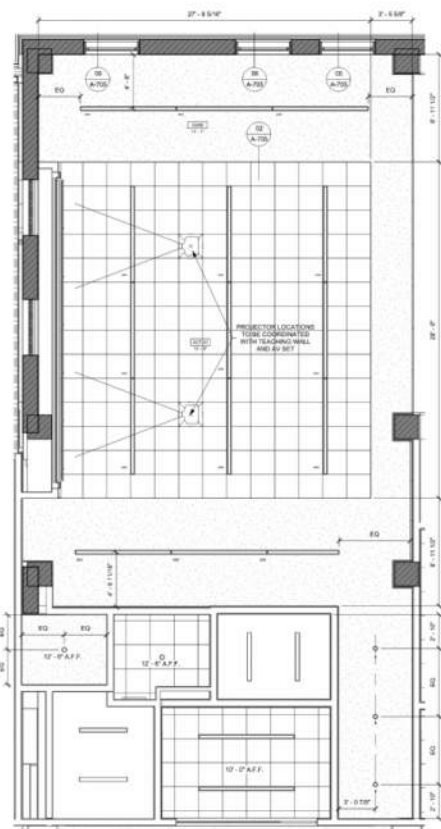
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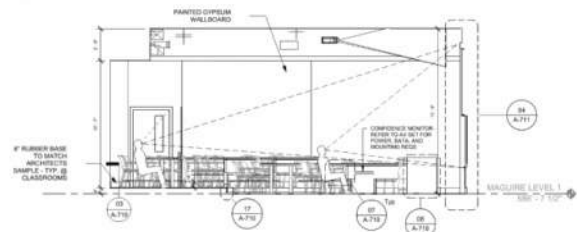


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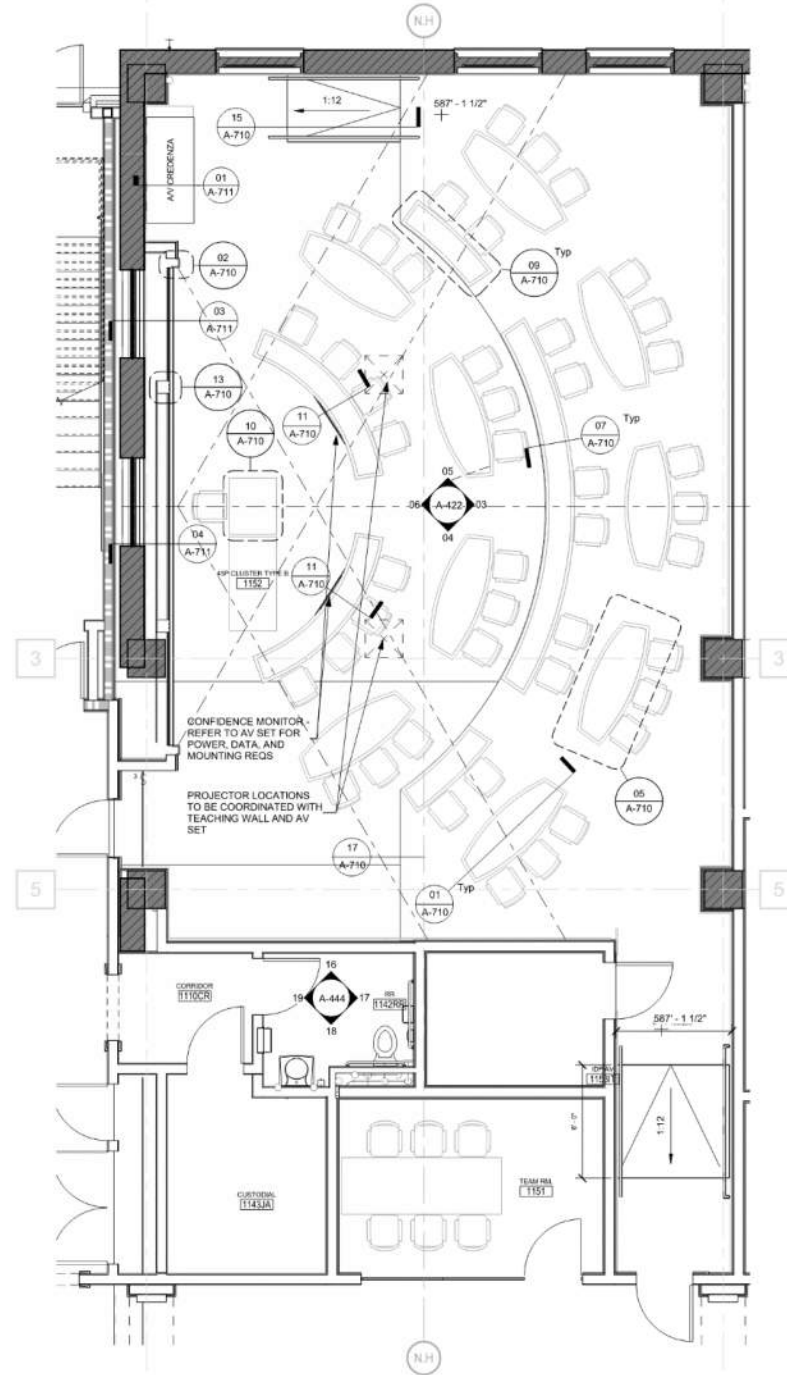


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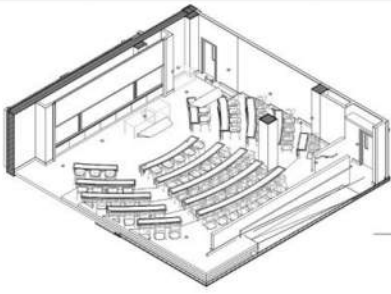
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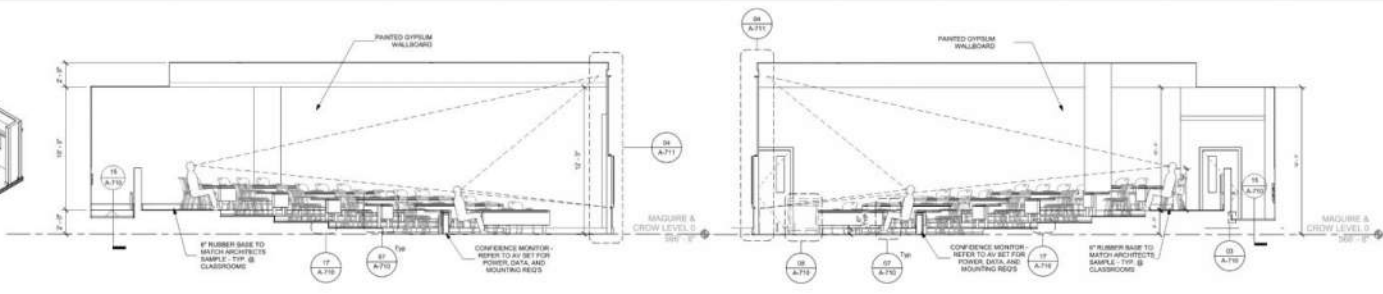






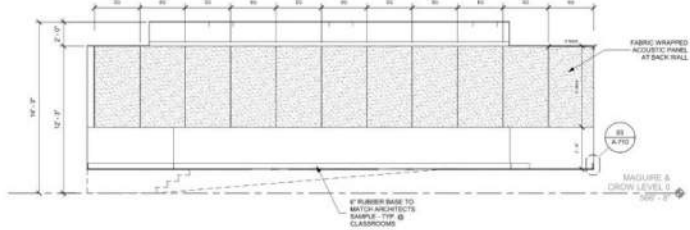


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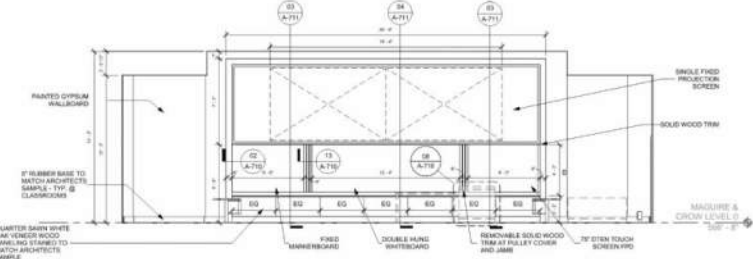


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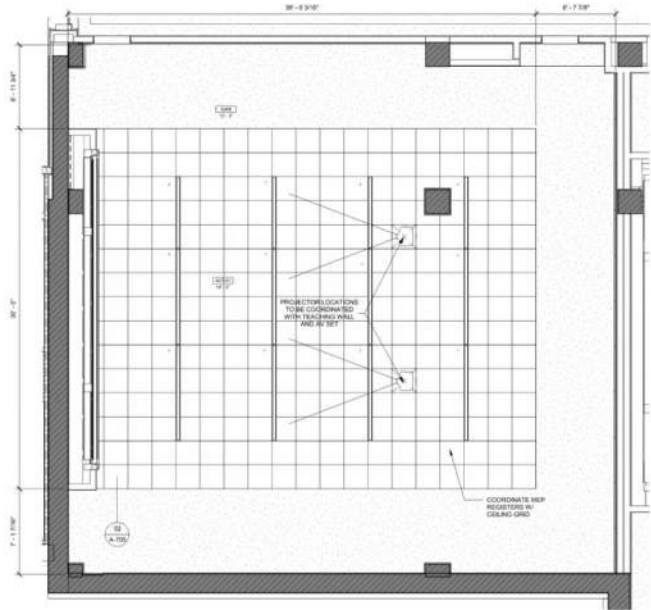
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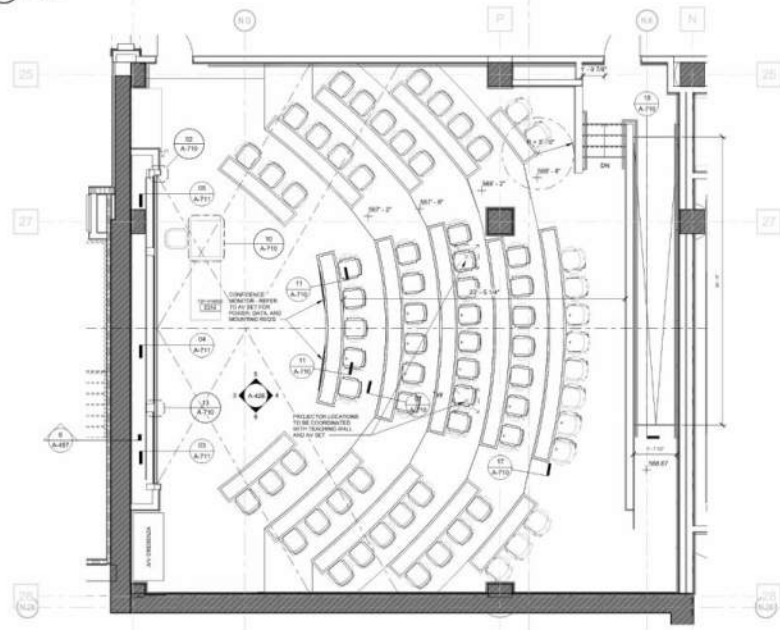
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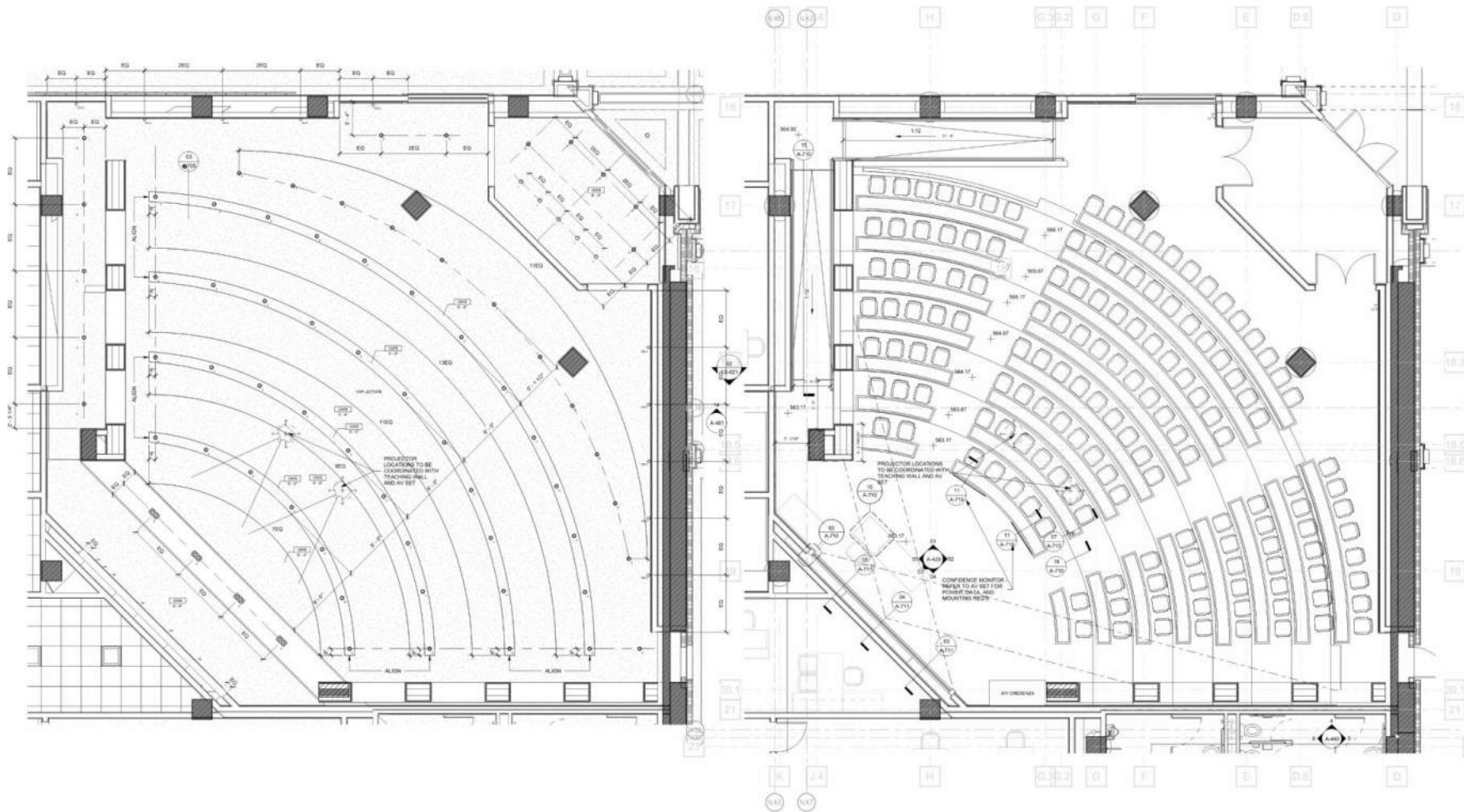
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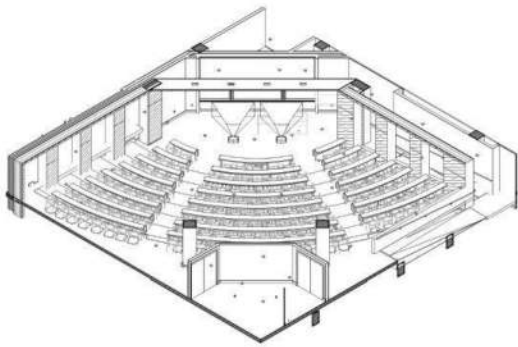
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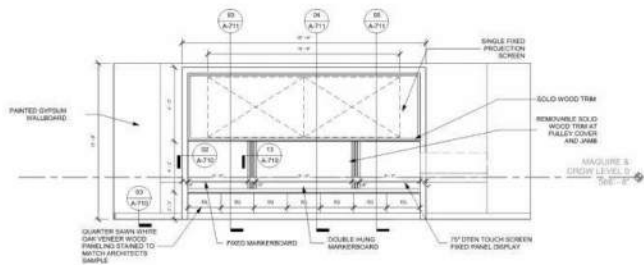
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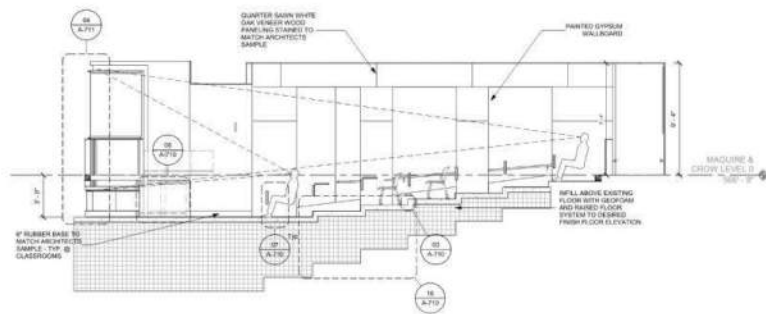




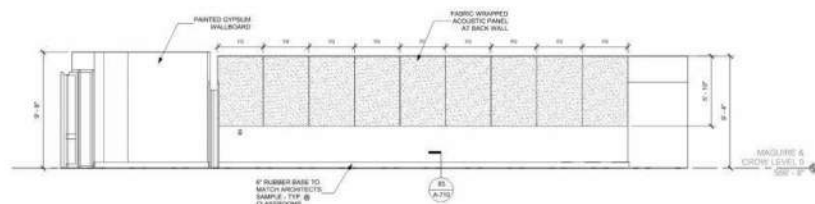
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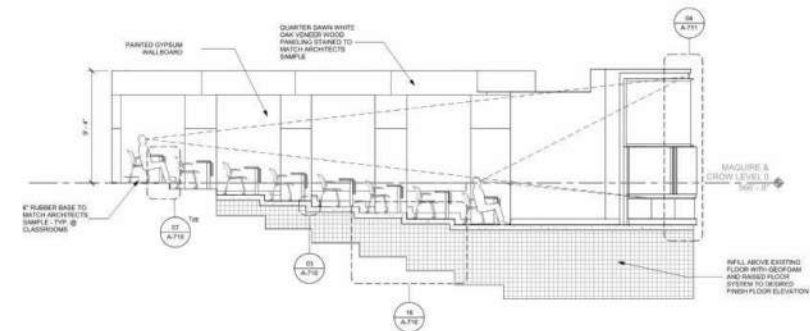
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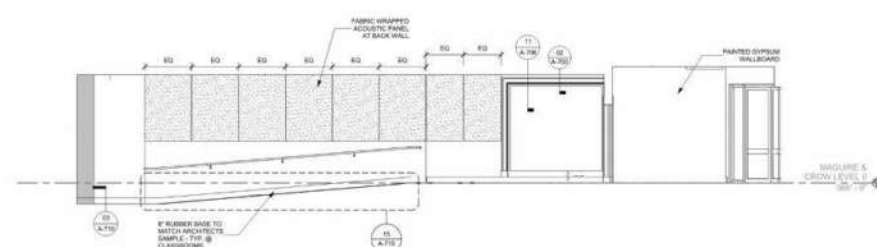
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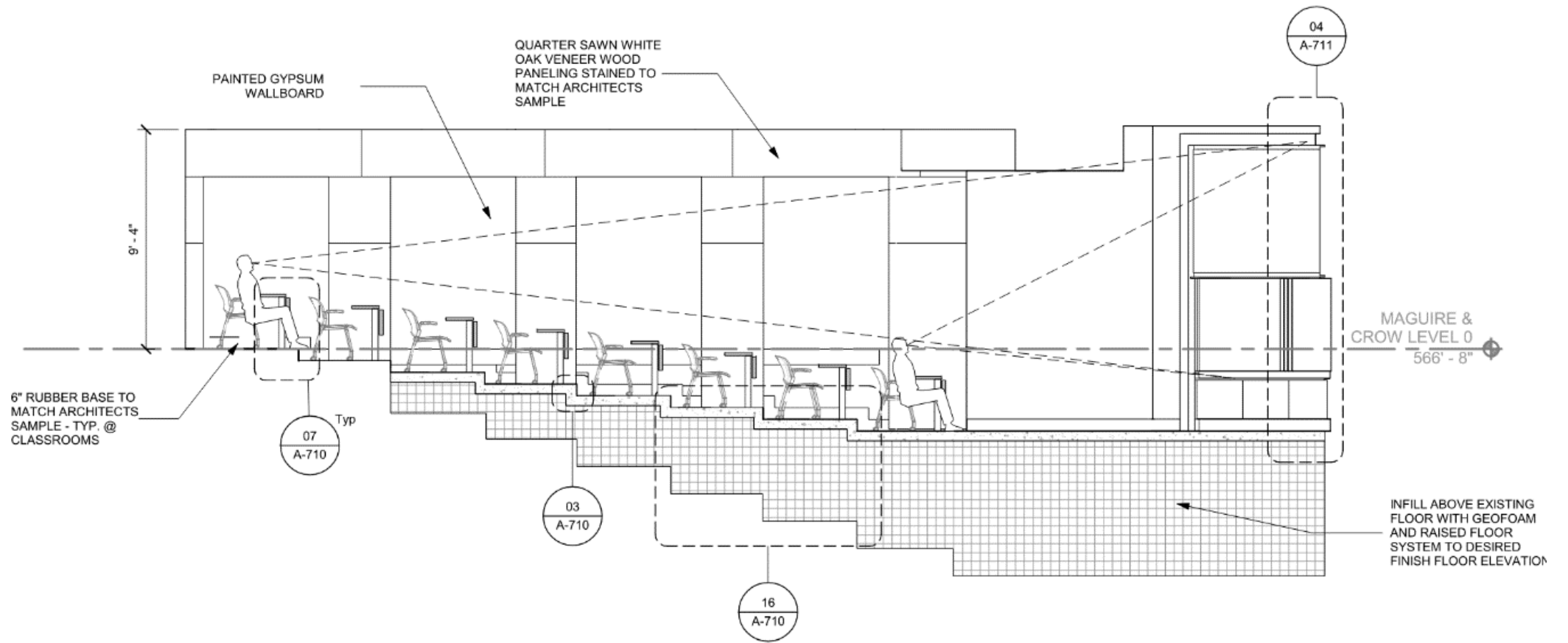
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**04** 50P LECTURE HALL - SIDEWALL SOUTH

1/4" = 1'-0"



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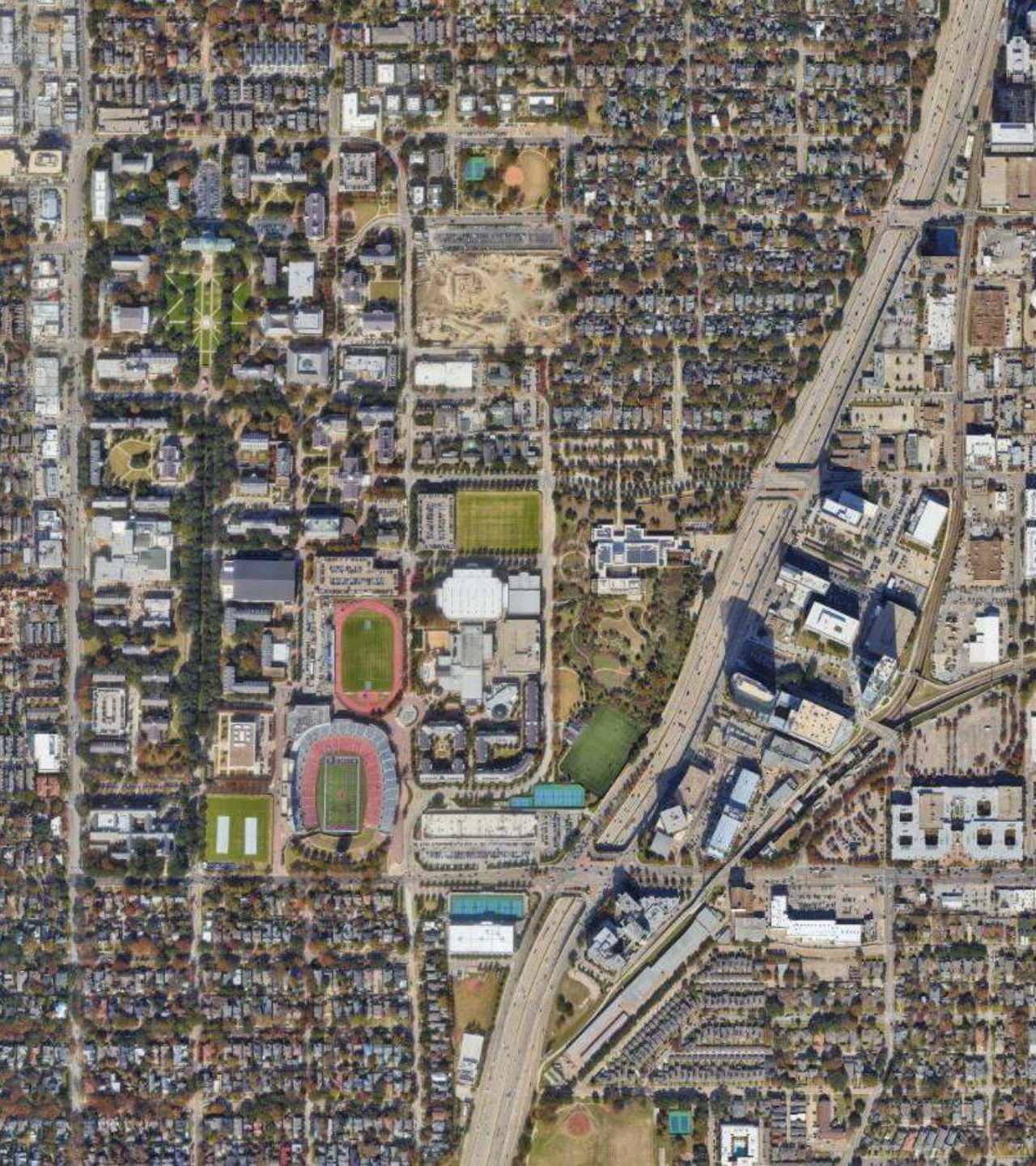


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## Lessons Learned:

- The Owner's decision-making structure and timely review is critical to project success
- Consider building downtime impact on both cost and schedule
- Swing space (temporary space for continued operations) is critical in renovation projects. Include it in both planning and budgeting from the start
- Today's MEP/F systems require more space above the ceiling than older systems
- Both horizontal and vertical circulation (stairs and elevators) may need improvement for accessibility and code compliance as well as convenience for users
- Flexibility is important, but it has a cost: don't pay for more than you need
- Surprises are inevitable, so contingencies are invaluable



Questions?

