



General Classroom Building



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Ground Breaking: March 6, 2008

Completion: February 1, 2012

About the Project:

The General Classroom Building at West LA College is an \$18-million, state-of-the-art classroom facility. While contributing to the prominent skyline with its modern design, the new building also adds 17 classrooms and houses several departments, including:

- Administrative Justice
- History
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Public Safety
- Child Development

The 48,000-square-foot facility includes administrative offices and a 120-seat lecture room that can also serve as a venue for campus cultural events. Classrooms are located along the northern half of the structure for optimum light. Offices are located on the more private south side of the building, facing windows with horizontal louvers to mitigate solar heat and glare. In addition, horizontal canopies unify modern design elements and provide protective shading at the main building entry points.

The General Classroom building's dynamic design provides students with an enhanced learning environment, easy access to faculty offices and an open view of the city.

Green Features:

The facility is 47.5 percent more efficient than the Energy Code benchmark through the use of insulating glass, window louvers, high-performance HVAC controls, and other building features. Three-quarters of its construction waste was diverted from landfills and over 20 percent of its construction materials were regionally manufactured. All of interior materials such as adhesives, sealants, paints, carpet and cabinetry are low-emitting, and indoor air quality chemical and pollutant source control systems are built-in to its HVAC System. In addition, its plumbing fixtures are 49 percent more efficient than benchmark standards.

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