Chamberlain Student Center Expansion



Location: Main Campus - Glassboro, NJ

Status: Construction

Forecast Project Delivery: Fall 2024

Development Cost: \$30 million

Design Consultants: ikon.5 architects

General Contractor: Newport Construction

Project Planning & Development: Division of Facilities, Planning & Operations

***Prioritization Category:** Categories 1, 3, 5 and 6

Description

The Chamberlain Student Center expansion is an opportunity to enrich the social and intellectual experiences on campus by providing space to facilitate collaborative working, demonstration and performance student work and flexible social space so students can see and be seen. The expansion is also an opportunity to improve the physical environment of the campus by creating a signature expression that transforms Chamberlain into the social and intellectual hub of the University.

The University is modeling the project after a Greek 'Agora' where a central gathering place would be full of diverse program interests, where students, faculty and staff would have an opportunity to see and participate in those diverse interests thus promoting exploration and discovery through active learning. Central to this vision could be a student and class demonstration area where throughout the year, students would present and demonstrate their work in an open common for other students in the student center to see and participate in. These demonstrations and presentations would come from all disciplines throughout the University in support of interdisciplinary learning and collaboration.

In addition to the new community gathering venues and office spaces that are being created as part of this project, the Chamberlain Student Center expansion also includes mechanical upgrades, specifically the replacement of the existing air handling units and duct work that are beyond their useful life.

*Projects are guided by the University of the Future Priorities in the following categories:

- 1. Classrooms and Laboratories 2
- Student Housing Needs 3
- Space for New Faculty and Staff Deferred Maintenance & Modernization 4.
- Internal and External Collaboration Spaces
- 6 Advance Academic Mission