Camden Bank Building Renovations

Introducing Rowan’s new Camden Academic Building

Rowan University and the City of Camden took a leap forward together when Rowan officially opened its Camden Academic Building. The Academic Building, which includes a restored First Camden National Bank and Trust building at 606 Cooper Street, a new three-story addition at the former bank’s rear and an Annex building, will enable Rowan to double enrollment on the campus.

The new Academic Building consolidated the campus in Rowan buildings and includes 12 new classrooms (in addition to five in the Annex), a first-floor multi-purpose room with capacity for 144 and unique amenities throughout such as student lounges in former bank vaults on the lower level.

Visitors to the newly renovated and expanded campus can explore sections of the restored 1920s era bank building. On the lower level, vaults converted to student lounge space still contain hundreds of private former safety deposit boxes, now partitioned behind glass, and the vaults’ original two-foot thick, solid steel doors, are now bolted open.

The restoration and expansion project was funded with a $17.6 million grant from the N.J. Higher Education Capital Improvement Fund.