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TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, BUZBEE LEADERSHIP LEARNING CENTER

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS



Smith & Company Architects, Inc.

Associated firm:
Elkus Manfredi Architects

Design team

DBR, MEP; Galindo Engineers, Civil; Concept Engineers, Structural; Infrastructure Associates Inc., IT; Zero/Six Consulting, LLC, Envelope Consultant; Vaughn Construction, Contractor

Client

Texas A&M University College Station; Chareny Rydl, Director, Department of Residence Life

Area

16,707 sq. ft.

Total cost

\$5 million

Cost/square foot

\$299.27

Capacity

831

Completion

September 2012

Photographer

Zvonkovic Photography



The historic Corps Quadrangle and its 12 dormitories comprise the original Texas A&M campus. Site design and area selection reinforced the university's master plan by using "urban" strategies for future growth development of the quad and new Leadership Learning Center (LLC). The 16,707 square foot Buzbee LLC and renovation of the adjacent Harrell Hall dormitory are the first of many new developments in the quad.

The architecture represents a combination of past and present focusing on the sentiments of the university and the Corps of Cadets. This project provided the Corps of Cadets with a new brand identity indicative of the Texas A&M service institution of the new millennium. In working closely with the facility users and institution's leadership on program and functionality, the architect has created a design that has been a springboard to achieving their long term goals.

The core elements of this project incorporated a grand double height lobby entry, multipurpose student amenity spaces and cadet training. Additional upgrades include walkways, landscaping and drainage surrounding Harrell Hall and LLC public plazas. 🍂