

# Student Living

LONE STAR HALL

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## Student-focused housing has a proven impact on grades and social development.

The benefits of student-focused housing are clear and now, more than ever, colleges and private developers are investing in dynamic housing options for students of all ages. Campus housing has the unique ability to balance improved social and academic performance with the institution's need for differentiation. Understanding that the needs of the students and the needs of the university and developer are different, but not mutually exclusive, is the key to achieving that balance. At Kirksey, we know that innovative student housing design begins with collaboration.

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# Get to know today's students.

(\*Excerpted from Beloit College's Mindset List for the Class of 2021; <https://www.beloit.edu/mindset/2021/>)

1

They are the last class to be born in the 1900s, the last of the Millennials

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They are the first generation for whom a "phone" has been primarily a video game, direction finder, electronic telegraph, and research library.

3

Electronic signatures have always been as legally binding as the pen-on-paper kind.

4

eHarmony has always offered an algorithm for happiness.

5

Peanuts comic strips have always been repeats.

6

There have always been emojis to cheer us up.

7

The Panama Canal has always belonged to Panama and Macau has been part of China.

8

It is doubtful that they have ever used or heard the high-pitched whine of a dial-up modem.

9

Donald Trump has always been a political figure, as a Democrat, an Independent, and a Republican.

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In their lifetimes, Blackberry has gone from being a wild fruit to being a communications device to becoming a wild fruit again.

11

They have always been searching for Pokemon.

12

Dora the Explorer and her pet monkey Boots helped to set them on the course of discovery.

13

Jet Blue has always been a favorite travel option but the Concorde has been permanently grounded.

14

By the time they entered school, laptops were outselling desktops.

15

There has never been a Coliseum in New York, but there has always been a London Eye on the Thames.

16

Whatever the subject, there's always been a blog for it.

17

U.S. Supreme Court decisions have always been available at its website.

18

Globalization has always been both a powerful fact of life and a source of incessant protest.

19

One out of four major league baseball players has always been born outside the United States.

20

Ketchup has always come in green.



TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY, CHAUTAUQUA HALL & GAILLARDIA HALL

San Marcos, Texas

612 beds





# Our Student Living projects

## **Blinn College**

Mill Creek Hall – 458 beds

## **Houston Baptist University**

Women's Dormitory – 104 beds

## **Rice University**

Sid Richardson Residential College – 325 beds

## **Rice University**

Weiss College Dormitory – 230 beds

## **Sam Houston State University**

Lone Star Hall – 300 beds

## **Stephen F. Austin State University**

Lumberjack Landing – 400 beds

## **Texas A&M University**

Corps of Cadets Halls – 1980 beds

## **Texas A&M University**

The Gardens Apartments – 432

## **Texas State University**

Chautauqua Hall and Gaillardia Hall – 612 beds

## **University of Central Arkansas**

Bear Hall – 400 beds

## **University of Houston**

University Graduate and Professional Lofts – 983 beds

## **University of St. Thomas**

Guinan Hall – 300 beds

## **The University of Texas at Austin**

Creeside Residence Hall – 1100 beds

## **The University of Texas at Austin**

Graduate Student Housing Complex – 750 beds

## **The University of Texas Health Science Center**

Student Apartments – 316 units

## **The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley**

Unity Hall – 400 beds

## **The University of Texas San Antonio**

Alvarez Hall – 618 beds







## Path-of-Travel Planning.

When programming and designing student housing facilities, Kirksey prefers the **path-of-travel** philosophy over the **destination point** planning approach. In buildings that have been planned with “path of travel” in mind, students must pass through social and amenity spaces to reach their individual rooms. This concept casually forces students to interact in communal, open spaces rather than just retreating to their rooms. In contrast, destination-point planning means amenity spaces are treated as a destination - possibly separated from circulation spaces with a door. Creating an engaging path-of-travel for students alleviates social anxiety and conveys a message that everyone is welcome.



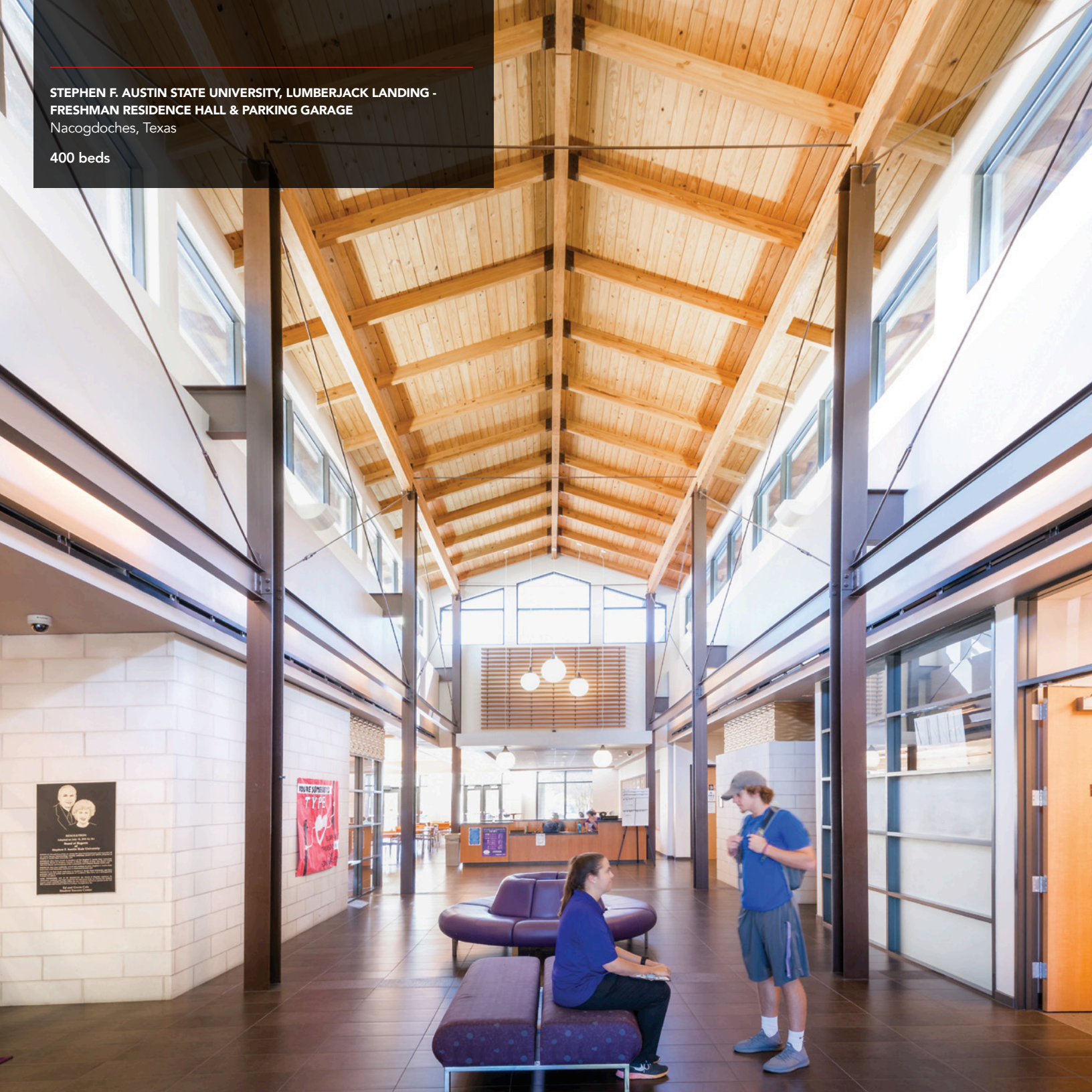
**The Destination Point plan leads to separation and isolation.** Students retreat to their rooms with little or no interaction with peers.



**The Path-of-Travel plan promotes interaction.** Students must pass through social spaces to reach their rooms.



STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY, LUMBERJACK LANDING -  
FRESHMAN RESIDENCE HALL & PARKING GARAGE  
Nacogdoches, Texas  
400 beds





## Programming and planning go hand-in-hand.

With the benefit of experience and input from clients, students, and staff, our team's programming process considers all aspects of the facility: from the needs of students and the goals of the client to the budget, scope, and site.



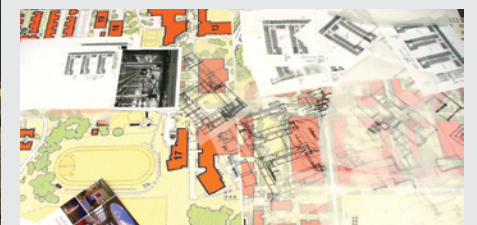
## Student Expectations and University Requirements.

Kirksey's design process addresses both.

Students today expect a sustainable, tech-savvy environment with resort-style amenities, but need a place that is safe, inclusive, and conducive to an academic setting. Universities want

a campus asset that is flexible, durable, profitable, efficient to operate, aids in recruitment, and results in well-adjusted students.

How can a housing facility encompass all of those characteristics? The answer: careful planning, thoughtful programming, efficient building design, and collaboration.







## Undergraduate and Graduate Students.

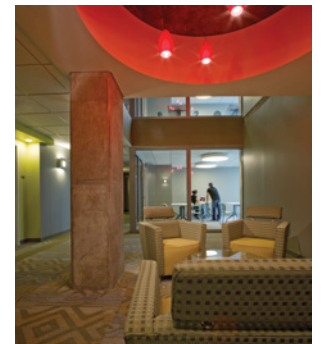
Unique student groups have specific needs.

Whether a student is a new freshman or an advancing upperclassman, housing can be tailored to fit their needs. For most undergraduate students, student housing is their first foray into independence. As such, they want a place where they can feel at home and still test their freedom. Thoughtful design and programming can facilitate social engagement and help students be part of a community. Building relationships can, in turn, help an undergrad develop confidence, learn new skills, grow academically, and be introduced to new viewpoints and cultures.

Graduate and Professional students may differ from their younger counterparts, but the overwhelming similarity they share is a need for community. Most graduate students prefer to be housed near other graduate students, where they can find solitude when necessary but still be amongst academically like-minded people. Additionally, universities would like to see their graduate and professional students leave their institutions as dedicated alumni. Introducing the local culture through grocers, coffee shops, or pubs, is an effective way to build loyalty and create a sense of home.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, UNIVERSITY LOFTS GRADUATE HOUSING  
Houston, Texas

984 beds







## Living Learning Centers.

Most universities would agree that a residence hall can act as a social nexus on campus, but must offer more to attract prospective students.

Programming a housing facility as a “Living Learning Environment” gives students a place to live, study, and socialize. Integrating classrooms and curriculum into undergraduate residence halls has become the norm rather than the exception.

Modern campuses are incorporating Freshman Success Centers and/or Living Learning Centers in addition to residence halls, allowing students to interact socially with their peers while finding guidance from an academic advisor or housing staff.

Foster social  
and academic  
success.





TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY, CORPS OF CADETS HALLS  
RENOVATION & NEW LIVING LEARNING CENTERS

College Station, Texas

1980 beds



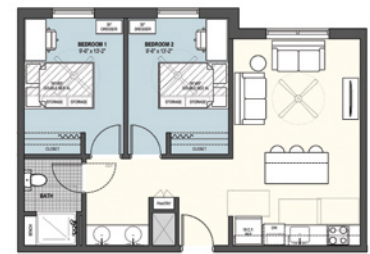
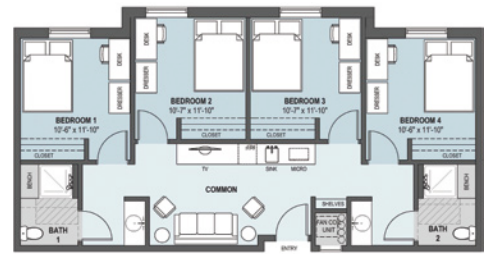
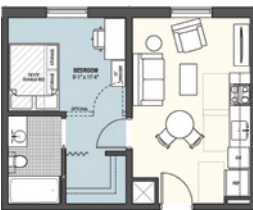
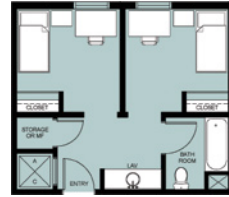
Student Housing Business, Innovator Award for Renovation





Living styles.

Create the right layout for your students



No one unit type or size works for all students or universities.

**Freshman** require less space and need more opportunities for social engagement.

**Upperclassmen** desire more space, a sense of independence, and amenities.

**Graduate Students** look for a community with other graduate students and a more settled life-style.

Consider every option





SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY, LONE STAR HALL  
Huntsville, Texas

306 beds



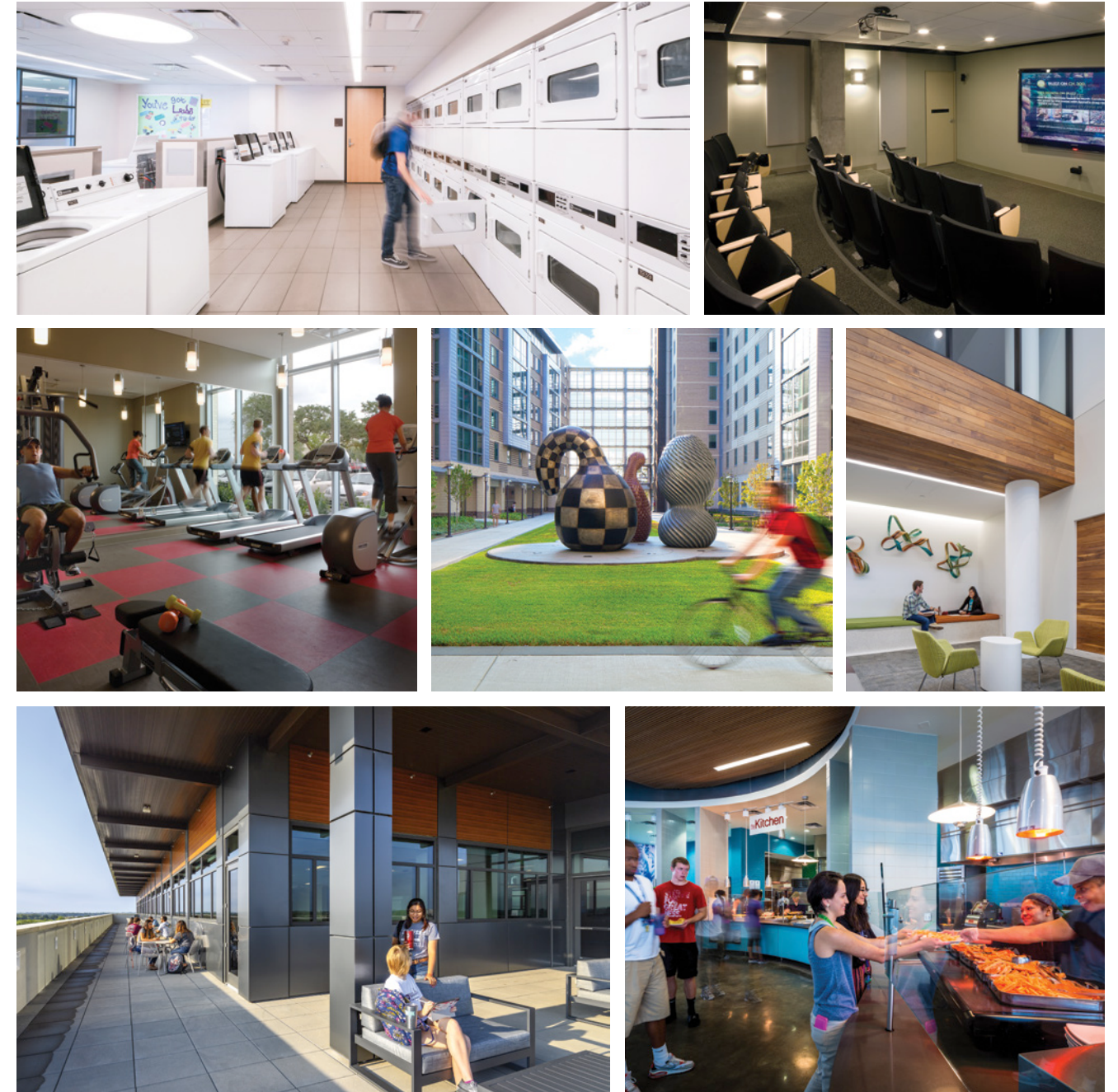


Create a place where students can develop skills and relationships.



## Amenity/Social Spaces.

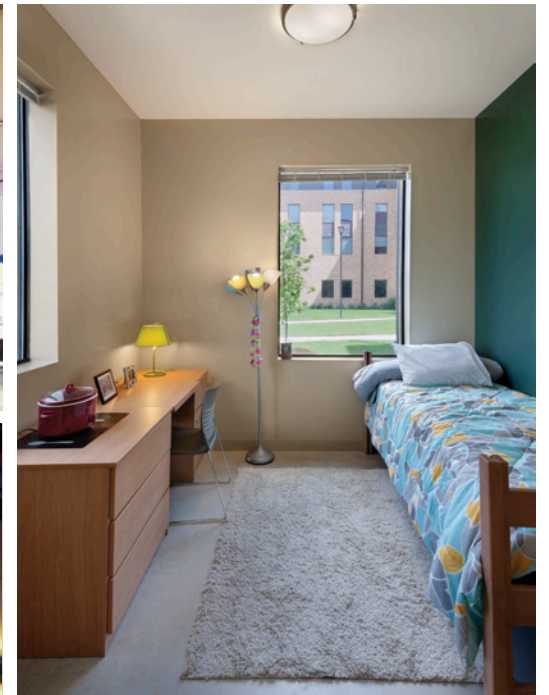
Shared amenities and social spaces are key to encouraging the development of students. These spaces allow students to interact in a casual, comfortable environment and foster connection with their peers. Amenities and well-planned and programmed social areas can be a significant differentiator and recruiting draw for universities. When integrated into the living environment, multi-purpose, dining, laundry, and outdoor spaces work together to round out the housing facility and create a place for students to see and be seen.





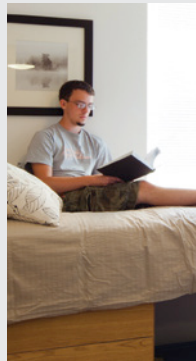
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO, ALVAREZ HALL  
San Antonio, Texas

616 beds

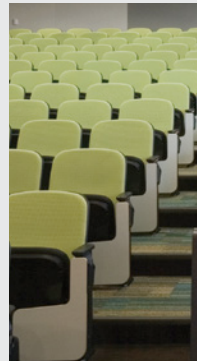




Architects and experts creating spaces that elevate campus life and student success.



Student Housing



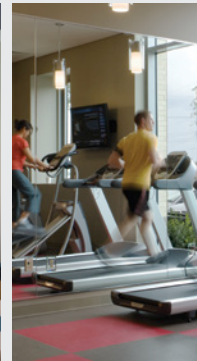
Learning Environments



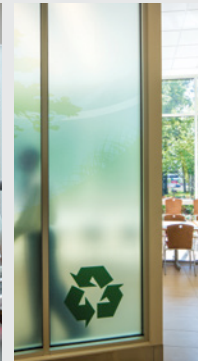
Science & Technology



Dining & Commons



Support Spaces



Sustainability

**We are Kirksey Collegiate** - a group of talented individuals who are experts in getting to the heart of higher education and passionate about facilitating success through innovative learning environments.

The higher education landscape is constantly evolving as leaders in education look to incorporate cutting-edge technology and new learning trends. With a significant depth of technical knowledge and a client service mentality, our team ensures that each project has unique design solutions that further the institution's mission and embody the campus spirit.



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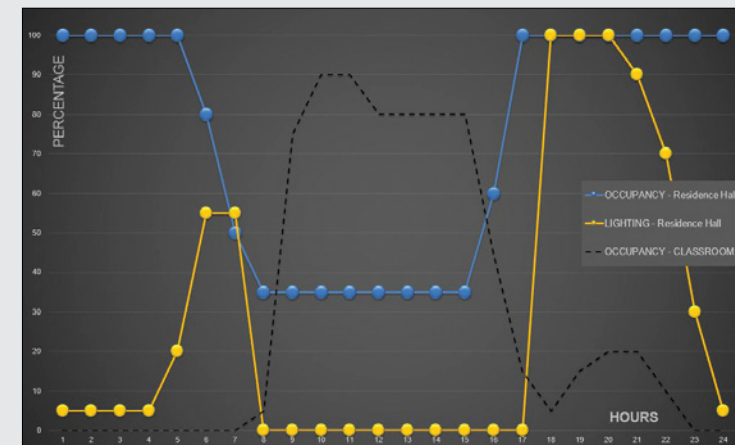
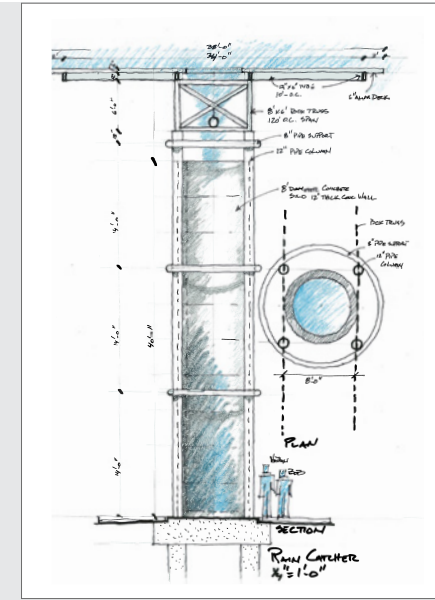
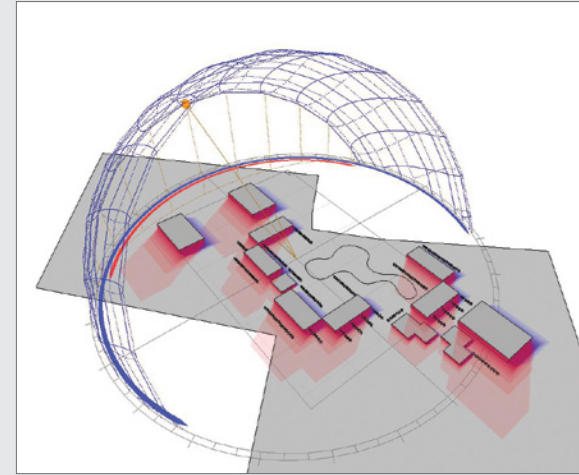
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## Sustainability

We design to maximize student wellbeing and comfort as well as energy and resource efficiency.



### HOW TO MEASURE ENERGY IN RESIDENCE HALLS

	Floor area / bed
	Wall area / bed
	Roof as a % of envelope area
	Energy Use / bed

The majority of students today seek to incorporate principles of sustainability into their college experience— both in lifestyle and curriculum. \**Princeton Review* has found that **over 60% of students are influenced by environmental concerns in their selection of a college or university**. This awareness has students expecting to live in spaces that meet high sustainability standards. Such spaces provide benefits to students' health, the planet's wellbeing, and a university's bottom line through reduced energy use and operating costs. At Kirksey, we rigorously analyze every aspect of a residence hall's performance. We understand the unique occupancy loads affecting residence halls, and we design to maximize student wellbeing and comfort as well as energy and resource efficiency.



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