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Bellevue College center is honored

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The \$35 million Bellevue College Student Success Center has won awards for excellence in construction and design.

It won the Northwest Construction Consumer Council 2020 Award for Innovation & Achievement in Sustainability and the ENR Northwest Best Projects Award of Merit in the higher education/research category.

The 72,000-square-foot center opened in January and serves as the “front door” to the campus. It houses more than 15 departments that provide key services to students including advising, counseling, career services, multicultural and veteran services.



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Inspired by the college's mantra of “students first,” it has three floors that mirror students' progression through their academic journey, with entry services on the first floor, student support services on the second floor and student success services on the top floor.

The LEED Silver center includes several common areas, tutoring rooms, testing rooms, administrative offices and a coffee bar.

The project was built using the progressive design-build process.

Ankrom Moisan Architects designed the center and Howard S. Wright, a Balfour Beatty company, was the general contractor. The team also included Coughlin Porter Lundeen, engineer, and specialty contractors MacDonald Miller Facility Solutions, Cochran Electric and Cosco Fire Protection.

The Washington State Department of Enterprise Services oversaw the contracting for the center and provided project management for the design and the build. It said the total project cost includes furnishings.

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