

Central Washington University - Dean Hall Renovation

**LEED Gold** 



## Central Washington University

## **Project Specifics**

79.553 sf Gross square footage: \$23,958,000 Construction cost: Project occupied: February 2009

22.7% Energy savings:

Water savings: 140,350 gal/yr 2.108 tons/ 68% Waste recycled: Added LEED cost\*: \$95,650 design only

Incentives: none LEED Payback\*\*: unknown CO<sub>2</sub> savings: unknown

Awarded LEED Gold - 2010

## **Design and Construction Team**

Owner's representative: Joanne Hillemann, LEED AP

Architect: BCRA, Inc.

General contractor: Lydig Construction **PCS Structural Solutions** Structural engineer: Mechanical engineer: MW Consulting Engineers BCRA. Inc.

Civil engineer:

Electrical engineer: Abacus Engineering Systems

Landscape architect: Nature by Design LEED consultant: BCRA. Inc.

Keithly Barber Associates Commissioning Agent: Acoustic Consultant: The Greenbusch Group Photography: Dane Gregory Meyer

Dean Hall is the first constructed project to achieve LEED Gold GBCI certified on the Central Washington University campus in Ellensburg, WA. The project started under the LEED NCv2.1 rating system but the project team voluntarily chose to substitute selected credits meet the LEED NCv2.2 rating system as allowed by the USGBC compliance

Dean Hall, which had been vacant since 1998, now contributes to the academic system and enhances the northwest corner of the campus quadrangle contributing another Science facility to the developing Science neighborhood. Dean Hall houses the Departments of Geography and Anthropology & Museum Studies, museum exhibit space and teaching spaces, and the Dean's administrative offices, College of the Sciences.

Over 75% of the existing building shell and structure was renovated and reused thereby diverting potential waste from the landfill. There are small additions to the east and west sides of the existing building to accommodate an improved entry, new stairs, lobby, and studying areas. The east addition provides a connection and transparency between the building and the quadrangle.

The floors are organized by the public spaces and lecture/classrooms on the first floor, anthropology and geography specific classrooms and lab spaces on the second floor, and department faculty offices, research rooms, plus open and semi-private study areas on the third floor.

Sustainable features include site and building water use reduction, improved energy performance, utilization of recycled, regional, and low-emitting materials, enhancement of daylight and views, and post occupancy evaluations. Dean Hall exceeded the State of Washington requirement to achieve LEED Silver certification (achieved Gold) despite project budgeting prior to the LEED requirement and a difficult bidding environment.

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