



Higher Education

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The Six Activities of an Intentional Office

Learning

Traditionally, one posture, one use-case described a typical training room. Today, modern learning environments are designed with purpose and meaning, allowing user orientation and seated, and/or standing postures, each enabled by untethered tech and flexibility allowing for a more meaningful experience.

Focus

In a world full of distractions, dedicated quiet zones are equipped to maximize individual productivity, allowing students and staff to concentrate on tasks that require deep focus.

Mentorship

Formal and informal mentoring is fostered through intentional settings where experienced professionals can guide newer students and staff in a setting that encourages a culture of continuous learning.

Innovation

Innovation hubs are designed to stimulate creativity. These are flexible spaces filled with writable walls, ad hoc furniture, and a variety of seating postures encourage free-flowing ideas.

Collaboration

Open spaces with modular furniture facilitate teamwork. Study rooms are equipped with state-of-the-art technology to support both in-person and remote collaboration, ensuring that everyone can contribute effectively.

Socialization

Community areas like lounges and cafeterias are intentionally designed to encourage casual interactions and build relationships, which are crucial for a cohesive campus environment.

Solo Focus Areas to Enhance Learning



A Dynamic Day

Hybrid learning has become the expectation for most students and should remain a priority for institutions to address. They need focus spaces with enough privacy to feel comfortable engaging in class without feeling like they're disrupting others. The spaces will double as study spaces that allow students to have a flow in their day without having to constantly move locations.



Balance & Inclusive Design

There are often few places with more diversity in one location than college and university campuses. By balancing inclusive design, students of all sizes and abilities are supported and distractions are reduced with comfortable positioning.



“By creating a flexible environment and integrating technology that allows learning to occur in multiple locations at once, educators have found that there are less disruptions to their course planning and students stay current in their studies.”

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"The Benefits of HyFlex Learning"
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Collaborative Spaces to Create Community



Student Needs & Expectations

Students today crave spaces that allow them to show up as their most authentic selves, use the technology that is most effective for them, and allow for vulnerability and a focus on self. Thoughtfully inclusive community spaces allow for diversity of ideas and expression. Colleges and universities are rethinking the use of traditional campus buildings, transforming them into dynamic, multi-use spaces that provide a variety of collaboration areas.



“Our facilities empower both students and faculty to choose specific work settings that best suit their productivity, efficiency, and effectiveness. We approached the design like we would a house and created space within space using aesthetically pleasing and highly flexible furniture and architectural product solutions.”

Brian McNamara
Design & Construction Manager, D'Youville University

Flexible Environments to Increase Digital Equity



Equitable Learning Classrooms

A current trend known as hyflex learning, which involves creating both hybrid and flexible environments to support the needs of both in-person and remote students and the faculty teaching them, emerged due to an increased need for new ways to educate students. Easily moveable tables and furniture, a variety in seating, and the capability to record all lectures allow for students to be comfortable and engaged whether they are in the classroom or not.



“These spaces encourage collaborative learning and maximize technology to provide a first-class higher education opportunity.”

Don Doucette
Eastern Iowa Community College Chancellor

Active Learning Classrooms are all about flexibility and equity. Every student has a different learning ability, and it is important to design the classroom that allows for those differences. The room should be fluid and adaptable to the task and learning that is happening within the room.

Multi-Use Faculty Areas to Foster Mentorship and Innovation



Student & Teacher Interactions

Faculty members and technology administrators say meaningful student-teacher interaction is a hallmark of a quality online education. Through private, digitally-enabled spaces, students and staff have the flexibility to have one-on-one meetings and mentorship opportunities. Within these spaces there should be flexibility for the teacher to meet with students either digitally or in person, depending on the needs of the people involved.



“Talent management means prioritizing spaces for faculty and staff that feel intentional, meaningful, and support the work that is actually being done.”

Jordan Arnold
Allsteel Senior Workplace Advisory Manager

Recharge & Relax

Areas for respite and relaxation can often be overlooked for faculty and staff. While functional working environments are important, innovators are finding ways to include wellness spaces or semi-private areas that allow the user to not always have to be on.





Cover *Top Left* Jetty:Mod™ Lounge Seating, Gunlocke® Iris Seating *Right* Gunlocke Letchworth™ Conference Table, HBF Essens Stool *Bottom Left* Beyond® Pavilion, Evo™ Conference Seating, Further™ Benching, Park™ Collaborative Table, Park Lounge **p. 2** Peak™ Lounge Seating **p. 3** Rise™ Seating, Rise Table **p. 4** *Top Right* Beyond Wall, Radian™ Storage, Two-Thirds™ Poufs, Wedge™ Lounge Seating *Bottom Left* Essentials™ Storage, Zilenzio™ Focus Table Screen *Center* Beyond Wall, Rise Seating, Rise Tables *Bottom Right* Beyond Wall, Jetty:Mod Lounge Seating, Gunlocke Briefing™ Side Table **p. 5** *Top Right* Admix™ Satellite Table, Admix Training Tables *Center Top* Aware™ Table, Lyric™ Multi-Purpose Seating, Park Planter, Normann Copenhagen Block Cart *Center Bottom* Admix Training Tables, Seek™ Multi-Purpose Seating *Bottom Left* Gallery Panels, Jetty:Mod Lounge Seating **p. 6** Jetty:Mod Lounge Seating, Vicinity Lounge Seating, Normann Copenhagen Tilt Side Table **p. 7** *Top Left* Belong™ Table, Gunlocke Ciji™ Lounge Seating, Normann Copenhagen Form Chair, Rock™ Lounge Seating *Right* Two-Thirds Poufs *Bottom* Rise Seating, Rise Table **p. 8** Admix Collaborative Table, Admix Media Center Wall, Retreat™ Conference Seating **p. 9** *Top Left* Admix Satellite Table, Admix Training Tables, Seek Multi-Purpose Seating *Top Right* Further Benching, Two-Thirds Poufs *Bottom Right* Gunlocke Briefing Training Tables, Evo Conference Seating *Far Left* Admix Satellite Table **p. 10** Rise Seating, Rise Table, Park Planter **p. 11** *Top Left* Approach™ Desking, Approach Storage, Retreat™ Executive Conference Seating, Pivot™ Monitor Arm *Top Right* Beyond Wall, Gunlocke Briefing Credenza, Gunlocke LIV™ Seating, Gunlocke Silea™ Desking, HBF Ami Racetrack Conference Table, HBF November Table, Normann Copenhagen Block Cart *Bottom Left* Altitude A6 Desking, O6 Task Seating, Radian Undermount Storage **p. 12** *Top Left* Wedge Seating *Top Right* Altitude Basic Desking, Radian Storage, Corral Barn Stool, Evo Task Seating, Parallel™ Lounge Seating, Pivot Monitor Arm *Bottom Right* Rock Lounge Seating *Bottom Far Right* Corral Deck Lounge, Corral Spin Lounge, Corral Pebble Tables, Corral Bowler Table **Back Cover** Gunlocke Calm™ Lounge Seating, Gunlocke Convo™ Stools, Gunlocke Iris™ Seating, Gunlocke LIV Seating, Corral Pebble Tables, Harvest™ Café Tables, Park Lounge Seating, Recharge™ Lounge Seating



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