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Designs on Learning

Integrating Physical And Virtual Environments Using Creative Approaches To Partnership Working

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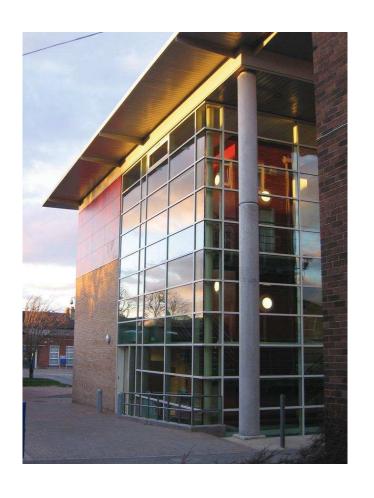


The Vision

- Institutional context St Martin's College - Corporate Plan 2004-9
- Shifts in the teaching culture FDL
- The Learning Gateway concept
- The Change Academy
- Stakeholders and partners
- A new University for Cumbria

Architects Brief

"The Learning Gateway concept is based on the assumption that the relationship between the physical environment and the student experience is vital and that the latter can be enhanced if it is designed in right from the start" Architects Plus, Carlisle



Learning First

- Learner-centred environment
- Pedagogical Principles
- SMART Learners
- Collaborative Learning
- Flexible, adaptable, accessible spaces
- Formal, informal and social learning seamless
- Changing roles tutors, students, support

The Building



HEFCE PCR3 &PCR4 £3.2 million new build £800,000 kit out ICT enabled

- Started: March 2005
- Completed Jan 2006
 Project management
 Stakeholder involvement
 Architectural statement

The Technology



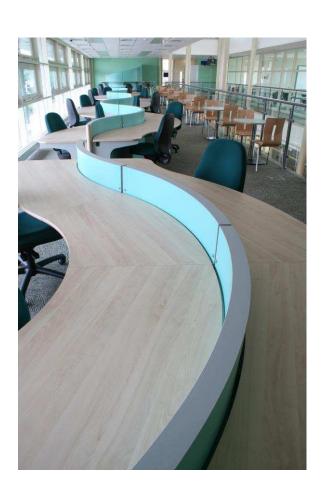
- Wireless network
- Digital signs
- Laptop loan scheme
- Multimedia projectors and interactive whiteboards
- Portable video conferencing equipment
- Lecture theatre voting system

The Environment



- Embedded technology
- Promotion of independent learning
- Zoned floors support different modes of learning
- Emphasis on flexible space
- 10 Flexi Rooms and a lecture theatre

First Floor



- A change of colour
- Team desks for collaborative working
- Digital information signs
- Five Flexi Rooms
- Access to the Lecture Theatre
- Resource "pods"

Second Floor



- A calmer learning space
- Three Flexi Rooms
- Individual work areas
- Reflection
- Quiet working? possibly
- Social space

A metaphor for new Learning



- The student journey
- The Change Academy
- Co-creation
- Framework for Action
- Culture shifts T &L
- Engagement
- Support Partnerships
- New leaders/teamwork
- The FDL Journey

Impetus in Action

- Learning Gateway Services
- Staffing the Learning Gateway- multiprofessional teams: Learning Facilitators
- Learners in the driving seat
- Partners internal and external
- CLIC Project
- Learning Scenarios

Futures

- Take-up and use
- Student perspectives
- Evaluation Plan learning flows
- Yet more ICT
- Change Academy Process
- Multi-disciplinary leadership
- Organisational development

