Consisting of 157,920 GSF this project will be a state-of-the-art research and instructional building for the visual arts, emerging media technology, integrating arts, science, computer science, and engineering in multimedia communications and the collation of creativity and technology. Application areas include computer gaming, visual arts, educational software, entertainment, and many others. Spaces include faculty offices, classrooms, 1200 seat auditorium, conference rooms, 2D drawing and painting art studios, 3D art studios, photography and print making labs, exposition space, visualization, computer, motion capture, acoustic and research labs.

Project Information

Project Status: Active
Project Delivery Method: Construction Manager at Risk
CIP Project Type: New
Gross and Assignable Square Feet: GSF: 155,000 ASF: 101,000
"44 Initiative" Project: No
Phase and Estimated % Complete: Construction - 98%
OFPC RPM, SPM, PM, RCM, IM: Salcher, Lund, Head, Yauger, Connolly
Architecture Firm: VAI Architects w/ Studios Architecture
Construction Firm: Hunt Construction Group, Inc.

Project Budget

Construction Services: $ 47,857,477 at $ 308.76 / GSF
Total Project Cost: $ 60,500,000 at $ 390.00 / GSF

Project Funding

Permanent University Fund Bonds $ 35,000,000
Revenue Financing System Bonds $ 25,500,000

Project Schedule

BOR/Chancellor DD Approval 05/12/2011
Issue NTP - Construction 07/25/2011
Achieve Substantial Completion 06/21/2013
Achieve Operational Occupancy 07/22/2013

Project Remarks

1. Project Substantial Completion is contractually June 21, 2013.
2. Anticipated actual Substantial Completion will be on July 11, 2013.
3. Decision on enforcement of liquidated damages will be deferred until after SC is achieved.
4. Final fire alarm and integrated testing ongoing this week.
5. Remaining items on Substantial Completion Checklist distributed to all parties.
6. UTD FM has begun allowing limited access to completed areas to University AV contractors.
7. Despite the project lagging by 3 weeks, University staff are very pleased with the new building.

Board Approvals

BOR DD Approval: May 12, 2011
THECB Approval: July 28, 2011