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Cultivating Change: A Campus' Story About Innovation And Collaboration

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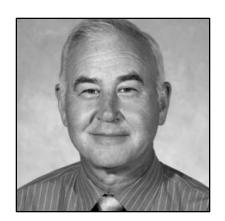








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Learning Objectives

- (1) How to build upon the shared values of various state and local organizations to produce funding opportunities that will benefit everyone.
- (2) How can collaborative partners further promote higher education and research in the state of Texas.
- (3) How the General Tire Building, once the area's strongest industrial icon, later a vacant symbol of unemployment, is assessed for adaptive reuse for a high technology research laboratory environment.
- (4) How to plan, program and design a facility to provide for the collaborative group requirements and the individual's needs while staying true to the overarching strategic vision.











What is the BRIC?





- Baylor Research and Innovation Collaborative in Waco, Texas
- Former WWII era General Tire plant, vacant since 1985
- Re-purposed and opened in 2013 as:
 - university/industry research collaborative, international research center
 - workforce training, STEM research and outreach, and business accelerator
- 305,000 SF available under roof
- 170,000 SF occupied, 110 Full Time Equivalent (May 2014)
- 30,000 SF symposia and meeting space (6,578 visitors as of June 2014)





Baylor Research

Baylor Business

STEM Research Education Outreach

Partnerships

State, Federal Funding Stakeholder Goals:

Top Tier University Research

Collaborative Industry Partnerships

Workforce Development/Training

Business Expansion/Training

STEM Education & Research

Cities of Waco, Bellmead McLennan County

Chambers of Commerce

Industrial Anchors

TSTC
Workforce
Advanced
Technician
Training







The BRIC discovery park provides a unique setting which: combines cutting-edge interdisciplinary university research



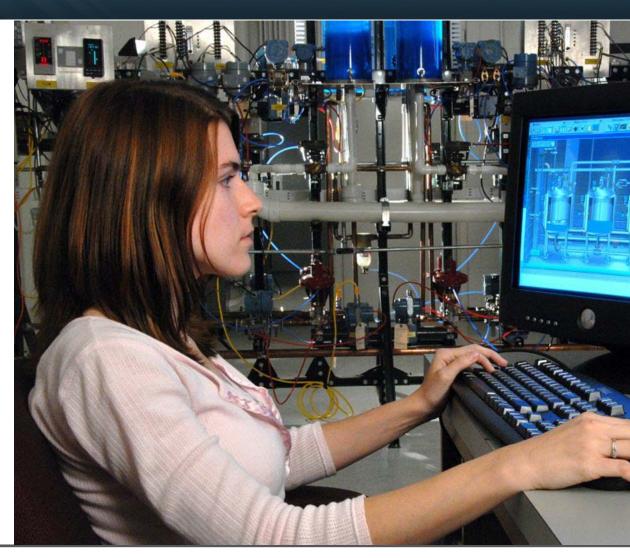






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advanced technical workforce development & training



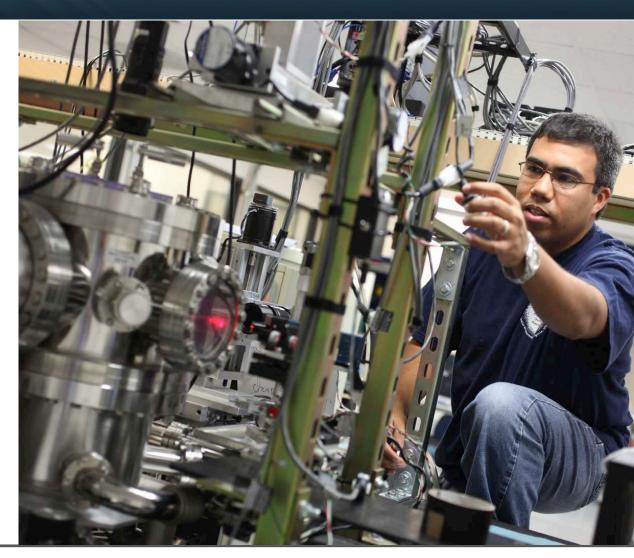






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international research partnerships and industry collaborations







The BRIC discovery park provides a unique economic development engine for the region:

- 15 public & private partners
- Financial, technical & community support
- Early private sector commitments for technical & economic validation
- Public sector funding from multiple regional communities
- Post-graduate university research and 2-year technical training collaboration







Coordinating & Building on Shared Values: Take-aways



- Space allocation/approval and master planning is critical to success
 - Initial success depends on utilizing regional industry strengths
 - Must determine if research strengths of university match industry candidate needs
 - Must conform to "Criteria for Locating " document







Coordinating & Building on Shared Values: Take-aways



- Manage stakeholder expectations, which invariably are too high, too immediate – full operations is a ten to fifteen year (or more) effort
 - Make BRIC a regional, national, international meeting place for public and university stakeholders
 - Keep active and current media focus (press releases, websites, blogs, speakers)







Coordinating & Building on Shared Values: Take-aways

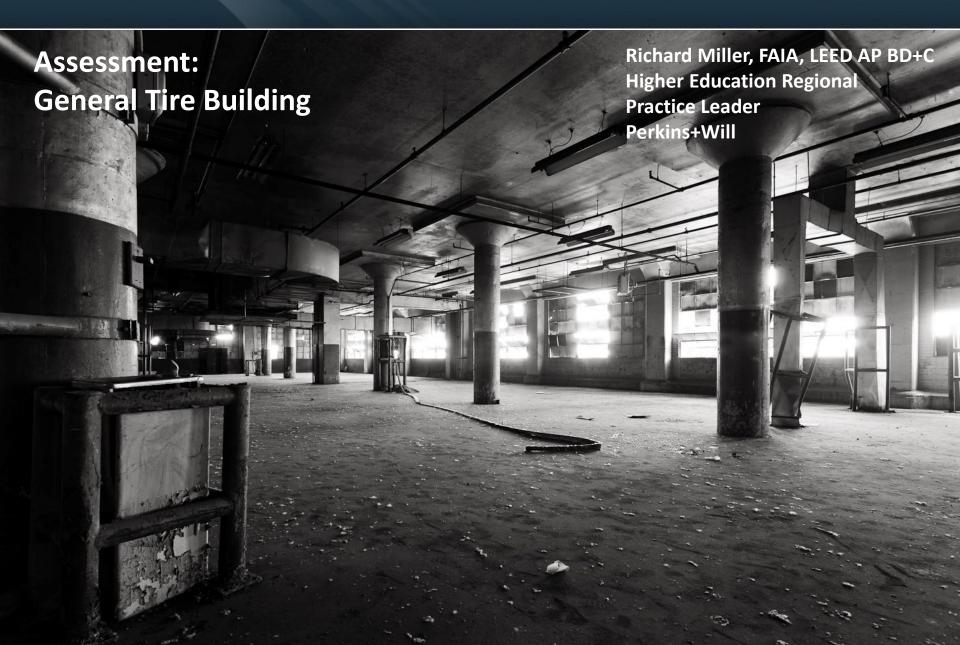


- Continue investments which will yield further long term economic development gains:
 - Continue expansion of industry research collaborations and industry presence
 - Attract nationally known research faculty and best graduate students
 - Continue community and private investment in BRIC goals – "Skin in the Game"











General Tire Property:

1944 – Opened in Waco with 1400+ employees

1986 – Plant closed

2008 – Abandoned for 22 years

2009 – 300,000 GSF + 21 acres donated to Baylor University









Capitalizing on a Prospective Gift?

- Assess the abandoned 300,000 gsf building
- Determine adaptive re-use potential
- Applicable for a mixed use academic, community, and collaborative research environment
- Confirm structural integrity, bay sizes, floor-to-floor heights, vibration isolation
- Incorporate sustainable design principles
- Cost effectiveness



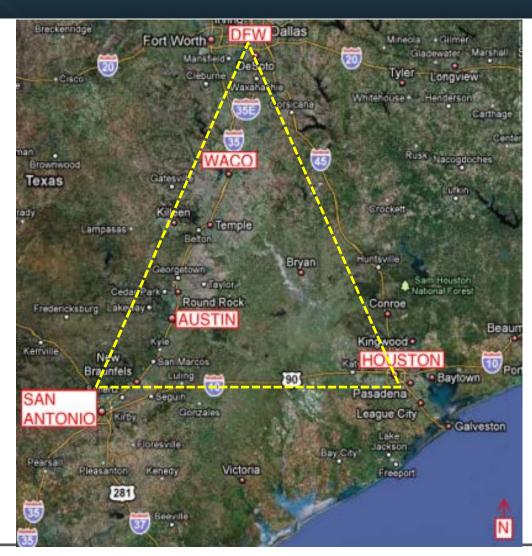






Regional Assessment

- Golden Triangle-DFW/SA/Houston
- Geographically well positioned
- Metro areas 15.6m people
- Access to major airports









Growth Opportunities

Future Growth

- 10 years,
- 20 years,
- 30 years,
- 50 years?!





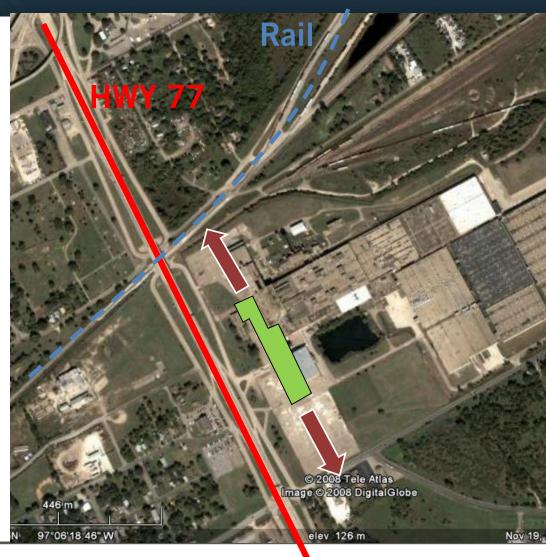




Site Location & Access

Opportunities

- Access to major metro areas
 - Located on Hwy 77 near I35
 - Proximity to Airport
- Future expansion
- Land acquisition
- Support from public entities:
 Waco, Bellmead, TSTC









Building Assessment

- Site
- Building configuration
- Utilities
- Hazardous material abatement
- Life safety
- Sustainability









Adaptive Re-use: Assessment For Intended Use

Envelope

Skin & Roof

Infrastructure & Structural System

- Foundation
- Concrete & steel super frame
- Slab ease of penetrations
- Column spacing bay & lab module
- Floor-to-floor heights
- Stair towers, code & ADA implications
- Future Loading on slab, columns, piers
- Vibration isolation requirements
- MEP systems & utilities

Suitable for the program

Lab space planning & modules









Building Assessment

- Realistic life span of renovated building: 50 years
- Cost / value of renovation vs. new construction
- Adaptive reuse potential
- Historical / cultural value of building?
- Image compatible with research initiative
- No value in the existing envelope -"where's the brick in the BRIC"









Establish a Green Agenda – positive impact



- LEED 2009 Core & Shell Development
- Building re-use existing walls, floors & roof 75%
- Construction waste management 75% recycle or salvaged
- Maximize daylighting & views
- Classified as Brownfield site due to asbestos
- Remediation asbestos & carbon black
- Robust structure & vibration isolation
- Existing envelope no vapor barrier, single glazing, no insulation or R value, brick beyond its useful life, asbestos abatement.







Building Assessment Findings

Appropriate for Research Mission?

- Adequate floor-to-floor, (20', 18', 12')
- Functionally flexible and adaptable
- Workable column modules (20'x20' most common, 20'x25' and 40'x40' in some areas)
- Health, and comfort opportunities (daylighting throughout)
- Opportunities for sustainable design

Gift <u>is</u> acceptable to receive!

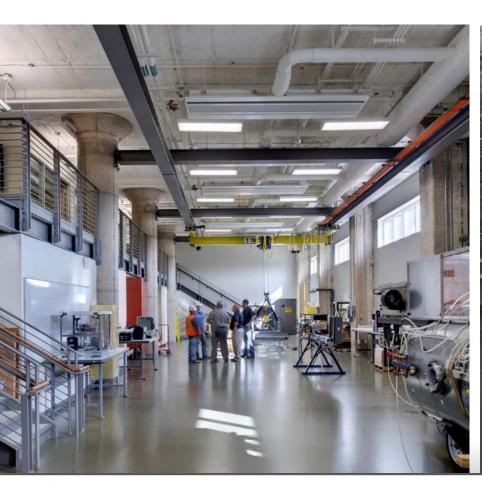








Daylighting & Space Utilization



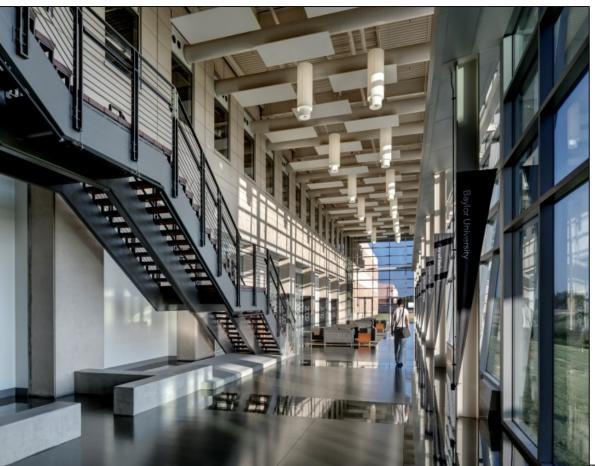








Open Gathering Space & Visual Connectivity





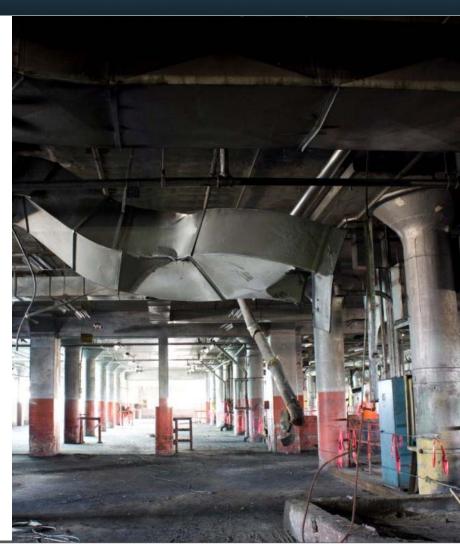






Adaptive Re-use: Lessons Learned

- Do your homework on existing building
- Green Agenda resist urge of knocking it down
- Look under every stone fully understand cost, schedule and construction techniques
- Careful budgeting = success, 30% contingency
- It's a team effort must be agile & flexible
- Not as easy as a new building complex project
- Plan on extra time for unforeseen conditions
- Be prepared for numerous code and zoning issues
- Structural frame approximately 20-25% savings
- Don't underestimate the value of existing building to the community







Baylor Research and Innovation Collaborative



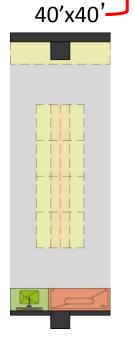


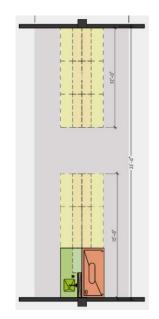




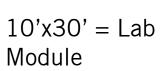
Laboratory Planning Best Practices

21'x30' = Ideal Lab Planning Module 20'x25' 20'x30' General Tire Bay sizes





2 Lab Module=Typical Bay







Encourages Change, Affordable and Effective

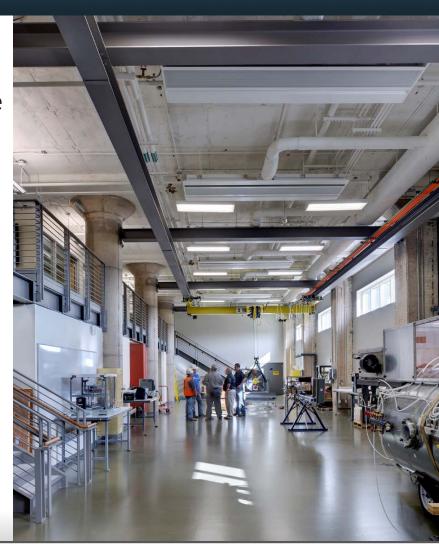






Overview:

- 320,000 square feet of new research space
- Engineering, Physics, Space Sciences Composites, Advance Manufacturing, STEM, Focuses
- Unique Regional & National Capabilities (Core Labs)
 - Reduced Gravity Simulation
 - Microscopy and Visualization
 - Composites
 - Lasers
 - Advance machining
 - Tech Business Start-up support
- Facility focus will evolve and develop over 10-15 years









Facility Design Considerations:

- Organizational Concepts utilize "Mall Occupancy" code designation
- Laboratories are designed and located to promote "Research on Display", with a "Building Tour Route"
- Structure permits unique lab configurations
 - Mezzanines
 - High-Bays
 - Research Lofts
- Treat the Building as a Laboratory
 - USGBC LEED certification
 - Roof access to PV's, Antennas, etc.
 - Unique technology Chilled Beams









Amenities:

- Significant space dedicated to Symposiums,
 Conferences and Meetings
 - Regional Center for Technology and Science Gatherings
 - K-12 STEM Dedicated Support "Classroom of the Future"
- Integrated Baylor, TSTC and Industry research, and training
 - Technicians embedded in Research Labs
 - Industry Sponsored Research & Equipment
 - Flexible Modular configurations, large footprints
- Public Spaces which support "Chance Encounters"









Atrium with Adjacent Symposium Spaces



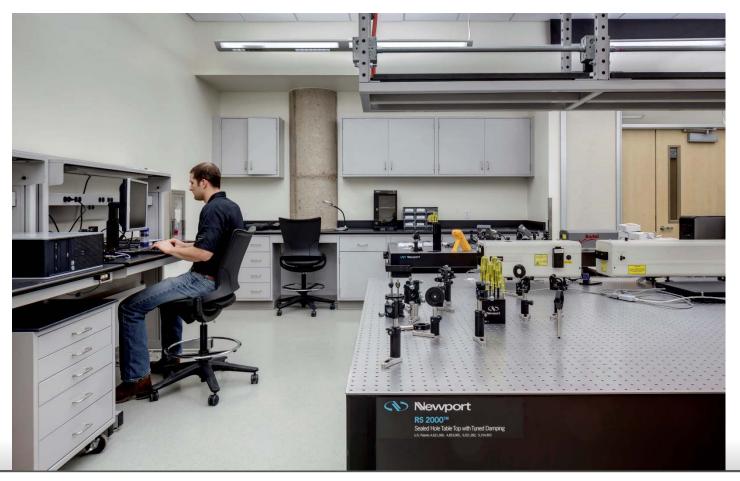








Superior environmental control

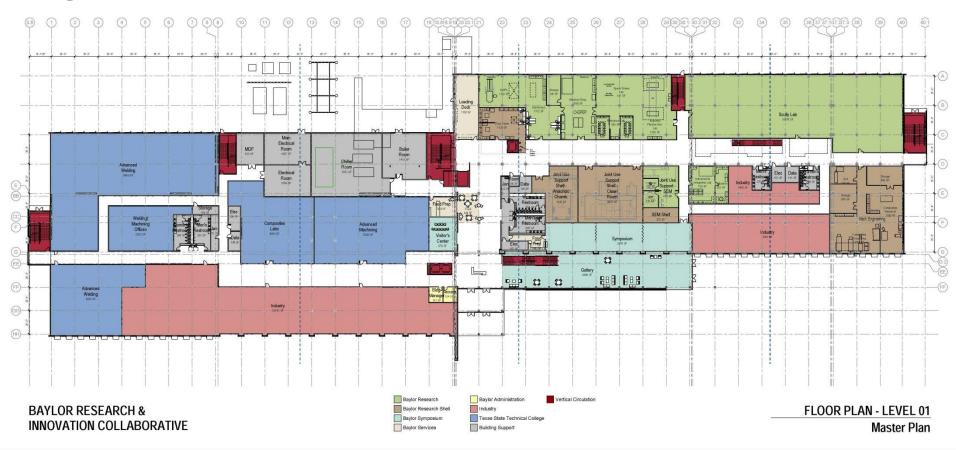








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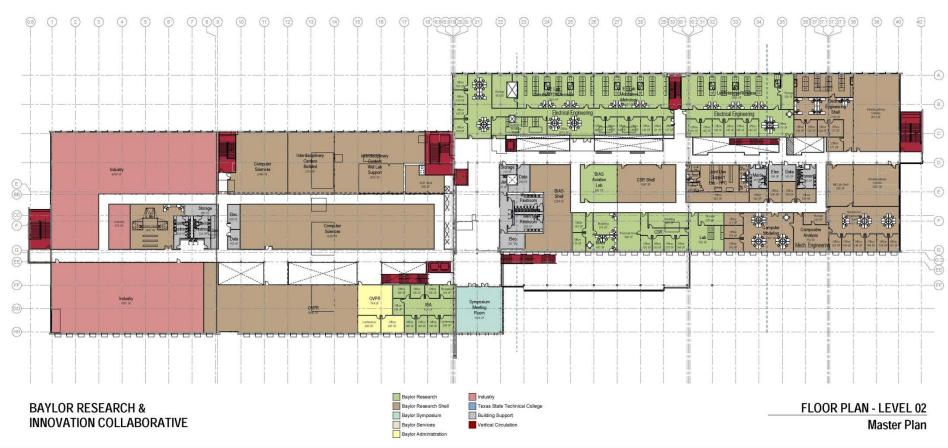








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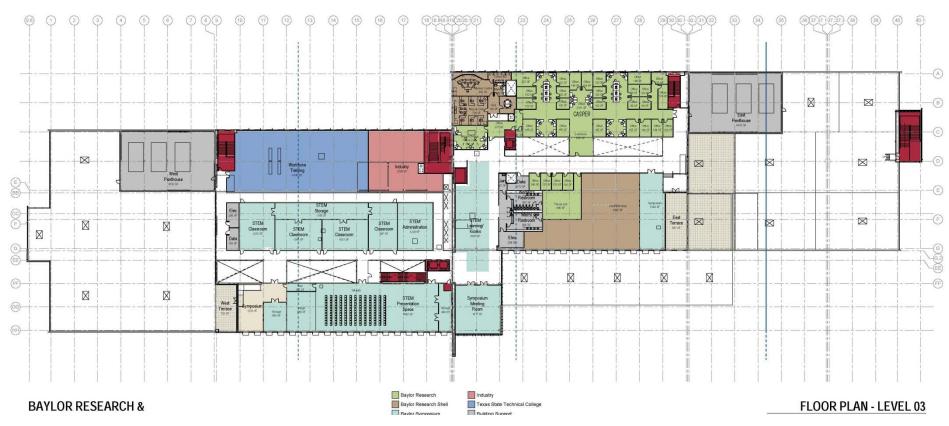








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Lessons Learned - Planning:

- Master plan for entire facility was valuable decision-making tool (Zoning)
- Design complete building systems and infrastructure, but defer buyout until needed (5-7 year window)
- Use of innovative technologies had almost immediate payback at this scale (Chilled Beams)
- Innovative Code applications were critical
- Assume the program will change –design for it
- Celebrate the industrial nature "don't put lipstick on a pig"









Performance & Associated Metrics:

- Grant funding attained
- Tier 1 status
- Maintenance of Christian guiding principles
- Notable Waco Economic Development
- Quality of Research
- Increased Workforce Training programs
- Growth of BRIC / Company Investments
- Increased, more rigorous faculty tenure
- LEED Gold Certification pending, equal or less cost of traditional
- Positive Economic impact on state of Texas









Flexibility Concepts:

- BRIC intends to be nimble and accommodate changing partners
- Conferencing to promote voices of leadership – physical or digital
- Interdisciplinary teaming
- Communal spaces to support community functions
- Support future growth with broader site adjacencies
- Seek community voices & needs
 "be a good neighbor"



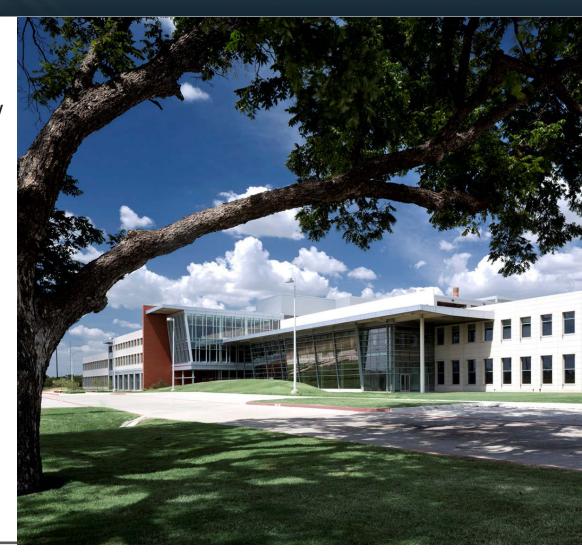






Lessons Learned: Wrap-up

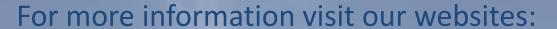
- Re-set your expectations for how quickly you can achieve occupancy numbers.
- University model for learning & fit-out not always the same as market place.
- Review priorities...evolve quarterly.
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