UCSB Library Addition and Renovation Fact Sheet

Project Description: Revolutionary advances in information technology are transforming libraries and societies. The redesigned UCSB Library will provide critical physical spaces, professional expertise, and information resources to meet the broader goals of the University and of a new generation of scholars. The four distinct components of the project include:

- A three-story building addition on the north side of the Library to include faculty and student collaboration spaces and Special Collections
- A complete renovation and seismic retrofit of the original two-story building to house the Arts Library, plus additional study and gathering spaces
- A newly built Paseo, or grand walkway, which connects all parts of the Library as well as campus
- A seismic retrofit of the eight-story tower and life-safety upgrades throughout

Project Highlights:

- Addition of approx. 60,000 gross square feet
- Renovation of roughly 92,000 square feet
- Welcoming Paseo entrance
- New Special Collections facility with state-of-the-art technology for preservation
- New Arts Library with dedicated exhibit space housed within the main Library

- Faculty collaboration studio
- 24-Hour Information Commons
- 20% more study space
- Additional and enhanced group study and collaboration spaces
- Expanded wireless access and more power outlets
- Natural-lit reading galleries
- LEED Gold certification for renovation and addition

Timeline: Construction began in August 2013. Some collections and staff have been relocated for the duration of the project, but the Library remains open and fully functional while providing means to access all catalog material. Completion of the project is expected in January 2016.

Funding: Financing for the UCSB Library Addition and Renovation Project was received through a revenue state bond initiative for approximately \$76 million. Fundraising from private individuals, foundations and friends of the Library is underway for resources, technology, collections, endowment support, and digitization beyond the scope of the building.

More Information: Go to http://www.library.ucsb.edu/building for the latest news, information, and images. Questions can be addressed to project@library.ucsb.edu.

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