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Century College Receives Engineering Award for New Building

Century College and the DLR Group, Inc., recently received an award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Minnesota for the design of the mechanical systems in the new Science/Library Building, which opened last fall.

Century was the only two-year college to receive one of the 27 awards given out at a ceremony Jan. 30 at International Market Square in Minneapolis. About 80 percent of the honored projects are public projects.

Century's \$19.9 million, 70,000-square-foot Science/Library Building has a soaring interior space that envelopes part of the campus pedestrian bridge. It also features numerous sustainability elements such as a glassed southern elevation that electronically shades and reduces sunlight infiltration. The building exceeds state energy efficiency standards by 30 percent and features highly efficient roof insulation systems, energy recovery systems, mechanical systems, displacement ventilation, science lab exhaust system, occupancy sensor lighting and wetland restoration.

The first new campus building in 17 years, the structure combines the West Campus and East Campus libraries into one library, and also brings together the science instructional areas.



Photo, left to right: Pat Simpkins and Don Horkey of DLR, Ron Fields of Century, Nate Miller of DLR, Jim Tjossem of Century



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