

**Facilities Report to the College Senate  
September 13, 2019**

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*Projects Recently Completed*



***Tower 3 Renovation***

Renovations to Tower 3 included entrance, lobby and elevator rehabilitation; lounge and laundry room improvements; and updates to student suites. This \$14.75 million refurbishment began in summer 2018 and was completed in summer 2019.



***New Turf at Coyer Field***

Buffalo State's turf field is used for football, soccer, and lacrosse, as well as for recreational purposes, camps and rentals. This project replaced the turf field, scoreboard, goals and goal posts.

During the second part of the project in summer 2020, the six-lane Coyer Field track will be replaced.

Total cost of the refurbishments will be \$4.5 million.

*Projects in Construction during Fall 2019*



***Science and Mathematics Complex, Phase 4***

Phase 4 will complete this multi-year project with the addition of the spherical, stand-alone Whitworth Ferguson Planetarium, greenhouse, lecture hall, classrooms, offices and labs. The cost will be \$35.5 million. Fall 2020 classes are planned.



### **Academic Commons, Butler Library**

As part of its Academic Improvement Plan, Buffalo State is co-locating and centralizing academic support services in Butler Library. The resulting Academic Commons will include academic advising, tutoring, the Writing Center, the Math Center, the EOP Academic Center for Excellence, and Student Accessibility Services. Areas of the first and second floors of the library are being reconfigured and upgraded in this \$15.3 million project slated for a spring 2020 completion. As a result of ongoing construction:

- Librarian offices are now in the third floor CyberQuad area
- Most services, including the circulation and reference desks, are temporarily located on the second floor
- The RITE Support Desk is now in Bulger 200
- The Writing Center is in Butler 310
- Drop-in advising is located in South Wing 100
- Study spaces have been created on the second and third floors, including a large study area with plenty of tables, Chromebase computers, and a printing station in the northeast quad on the second floor. Study and quiet quads on the first floor will remain open.
- There will be a limited number of computer workstations available in the library during construction. Students can borrow laptops at the circulation desk or use equipment loan to reserve laptops or tablets.
- Parking lot I-32 has been taken offline to become the staging area for the project. The 70 faculty/staff parking spaces from this lot have been offset with the change in designation of 70 spaces in the lot formerly identified as Lot R-13 (now Lot-R12) from student to faculty/staff.
- Butler Library's east (formerly Argo Tea) and north entrances will be offline, to be used as emergency exits only. The south (StudyQuad) entrance will be unaffected for the duration of the project. It will serve as the accessible entrance during construction. The public elevator will remain available.
- The west (Plaza) entrance is now offline to accommodate work in the main lobby and vestibule. This entrance is scheduled to reopen in late September.
- As the sidewalk between Butler Library and Bacon Hall will be offline, pedestrian access to points east of Butler Library will be available north of the library, or south of Bacon Hall. All entrances to Bacon Hall will remain open.
- SPoT Coffee Express is open in the StudyQuad Lounge on the library's first floor.

- Construction-related library closings may take place. Library closings due to scheduled construction will be announced in the *Daily Bulletin*.

Please visit the [library renovation website](#) for project updates.



***Rockwell Hall***

Renovations to the Performing Arts Center include improvements to the auditorium, ticket office, band room and basement corridor. Completion is planned for fall 2019. This is a \$1.18 million project.



***Central Heating Plant Reconstruction, Phase 1***

Buffalo State’s steam plant is at the end of its life cycle. This project will replace boilers and all associated equipment with new and more efficient versions. This will save costs for fuel, operation and maintenance; reduce harmful emissions and potential for harmful fuel leaks; provide a more reliable source of heat and hot water for the campus; and potentially clear space in the building for other service uses. Construction will begin in October 2019.



***Iroquois Drive Reconstruction***

This project, phased to occur over two seasons, is reconstructing the roadway, curbs and underground drainage of Iroquois Drive. The concrete retaining wall will be repaired along a portion of the north side. Improvements will include new site lighting, storm water retention and treatment, a continuous sidewalk, high visibility crosswalks, sharrows for bicycles and improvements to the green area on the north side of Moore Complex. Construction on this \$7.9 million renovation began in spring 2019. It is slated for winter 2020/2021 completion.



***Classroom Building***

The Classroom Building, built in 1972, retains most of its original systems and its space configuration. These no longer meet the needs of our students and faculty.

This project will provide collaborative, study and lounge space for students and address the teaching needs of our academic departments. It will also add an identifiable south entrance to the building, increase natural light, improve wayfinding and replace building systems and finishes. It will also add sprinklers and increase the plumbing fixture count. A deep energy retrofit (an energy conservation measure in an existing building that improves building performance) will be addressed.

This will be a phased renovation with a total budget of \$78 million.



***166-170 Dart Street***

The BSCR Corporation, a college affiliate, has been chosen as the designated developer for 166-170 Dart Street, the current site of the City of Buffalo Auto Impound Lot. The property is located on the western campus border, adjacent to Building 50 and parking lot G-20.

The BSCR Corporation has issued an RFP requesting development plans for the site. Proposals are due November 19, 2019.



***Building 50***

Building 50 (formerly known as the Ruslander Building) was built in the 1950s and acquired by the campus in 2003. It was constructed for manufacturing but has been used by Buffalo State as a storage facility. This 92,000 square foot building is in great need of rehabilitation.

This renovation will provide appropriately designed space to accommodate University Police and custodial and grounds employees; renovate warehouse and dock space; and create a better link to the main campus pedestrian spine and designated visitor parking areas. This is a \$14.8 million project.