

ProjectTitle Campus Masterplan Client Winchester School of Art Completion 1999 Contract Value £12m (all phases)

ArchitecturePLB was responsible for completing a five phase programme for the University of Southampton's Winchester School of Art. This involved remodelling the whole campus, and the construction of a range of new buildings to accommodate studios, administration facilities, social areas and specialist spaces such as laboratories.

As part of Phase I, new sculpture studios and workshops were provided. Phase II consisted of the West Side, providing a new library, photo and digital media facilities which together form a Learning Resources Centre. A series of ground floor offices, seminar and tutorial rooms for the History of Art & Design Faculty sit below the four generous design studios which are accessed via an open gallery. A 160 seat theatre with associated kitchen and function suite is also placed at first floor level off the gallery.

The upper floor studios provide spacious new homes for Foundation and Degree courses. Fully glazed south walls and north sloping rooflights provide controlled natural light and passive air movement to the studios. Phase III included the student union, with new bar and lounges. This was followed by the East Side as part of Phase IV, comprising central administration and reception areas, along with design studios and a digital media centre. Phase V included laboratories and workrooms for textile conservation work, and also included seminar rooms, a viewing gallery and offices.

Other completed work includes student accommodation at Erasmus park, comprising a 380 unit student village complete with central leisure and retail facilities.







