



veterinary education and clinical research center gainesville, florida

This expansion to the College of Veterinary Medicine Small Animal Hospital was an excellent opportunity to provide a new landmark and to relieve deficiencies, increase caseload, and create a healthier environment for patients and clinicians. A large outdoor plaza in front of the building and a 250 feet long, three story lobby stretches toward the main boulevard that dissects the University of Florida's Health Center to provide visibility to the Vet School and serves as a gateway to the University. The lobby, which serves as a reception and waiting room, is flooded with daylight and leads to all public space and connects you to the entrance to the existing facilities: a monumental stair weaves through the space to create a series of informal meeting spaces to encourage opportunities for exchange between faculty and students.

We worked with the nations leading experts to program and plan the new state-of-the-art tertiary care clinical education and research facility that incorporates a learning commons to support faculty, students and interns from throughout the college. The new building connects to existing facilities within the original building at the ground floor, and includes examination rooms, several wards, a linear accelerator suite, and provides a separate, around-the-clock emergency room entrance. The entire second floor is a surgical suite with 12 operating rooms, a full anesthesia room and a catheterization laboratory. Faculty and staff offices, meeting and work rooms, lounges, classrooms and a seminar room make up the upper floor. All spaces throughout the building capitalize on natural daylight to improve the interior environment for the occupants who spend countless hours in the facilities, by helping them stay connected to the outdoor conditions. This building has earned a LEED Gold Certification from the U. S. Green Building Council.

Project Information

Area:	106,000 sq. ft
Scope:	Interface and New Construction Complete
Services:	Architectural Services
Completion Date:	October 2010
Client:	University of Florida
Contact:	A. Miles Albertson 352.273.4020
Architect of Record:	Zeidler Partnership Inc. (Michael Nelson - Director)
Associate Architect:	FWAJBD Architects
Contractor:	Charles Perry Partners Inc.
Project Delivery:	CM at Risk
Construction Cost:	\$40.2 Million

