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## **Facility features: HEDCO Education Building**

In addition to new classrooms, meeting spaces and a café, the building features a drop-in digital learning commons for students. Previously, the college lacked places for students to study or meet together outside class.

The building also has an expansive conference suite for faculty and visiting professionals, which includes a data assessment lab, technology support and video conference room.

The building's south wing features an integrated clinic designed to serve local children and families, provide training for future clinicians, and create information for research on effective practices.

The HEDCO Clinic offers five areas of intervention and therapeutic services: literacy and reading diagnosis; speech, language and hearing services; school psychology; counseling psychology; and couples and family therapy.

The new building brings state-of-the-art technology features to the education and social service professions. For example, teachers-in-training will now be able to sharpen their techniques by studying video of their interactions with students. Supervisors reviewing the same video can evaluate more scientifically how to develop new teaching methods to support children with widely differing needs.

The project included renovation of the three other buildings in the education complex, which have the same technological capabilities as the HEDCO building.

Designers minimized the new HEDCO building's carbon footprint by using green and recycled materials, capturing natural heat and light, and filtering storm water through planters, gardens and bioswales.

The building exceeds state standards for energy efficiency by 30 percent and UO standards by 10 percent.

Lease Crutcher Lewis of Portland completed the construction and renovation.

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