



Millard, Inc.
Architects
Engineers
Planners

NGCSU - Renovation to Hansford Hall

Dahlonega, Georgia

Project Name:

Renovation and Restoration of
Nathaniel and Frances Fincher Hansford Hall for
North Georgia College & State University
West Main Street - Dahlonega Campus
Dahlonega, GA 30597
Project Completion: 2009



Project delivery method:

Design-Bid-Build

Services performed:

Programming, Design Development, Construction Documents, Construction Contract Administration.

Project Summary:

West Main Hall, which was formerly known as the Education Building, was rededicated as Nathaniel and Frances Fincher Hansford Hall in April of 2011. The Building itself was constructed in 1895 and having reached the end of its useful life cycle, became the focus of a multi-phase renovation.

Planning and design began in 2001 and concluded in 2008. Millard, Inc. was the Architect of record for the complete exterior and interior renovation of the facility. Hansford Hall currently houses the Department of Visual Arts, the Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice, the Center for Global Engagement, and the Department of Information and Instructional Technology. Millard, Inc. developed a new program and space plan for the College of Education and integrated new outside department spaces into the existing historic building envelope. Roofing repairs were performed in order to properly "dry in" the 100 year-old building so that the interior could then be renovated. Full masonry restoration and glazing replacement was completed for all three stories of historic 22,992 SF campus building. The historical appearance and detailing of the existing building were retained and rehabilitated whenever possible and the original stack-stone foundation was also pointed up and repaired.

Interior work included asbestos lead-based paint abatement, demolition and renovation of existing educational spaces for Instructional & Informational Technology, Fine Arts and Criminal Justice / Political Science departments. Special care was taken to keep the campus hub operational during the renovation, and a 640 feet long x 6 feet wide telecommunications duct bank was installed from the Education Building to Dunlap Hall as part of the University's duct bank master plan.



Owner's Statement of Satisfaction:

I have had the pleasure of working with Millard Inc. Architects on several projects on the NGCSU campus over the last several years, including Life Safety improvements to our Memorial Hall Gymnasium as mandated by the State Fire Marshall, renovations to our Historic Education Building, a BOR Minor Capital Project, and building assessments and small renovations to several other buildings on campus. The individuals in the firm are pleasant and easy to work with and very responsive to my requests. They have exhibited professionalism and thorough involvement on all the endeavors they have completed for us.

- Steve Gallant, North Georgia College & State University (Retired)