



Surrey, BC:

The Colborne Architectural Group, in collaboration with Architectura, is currently engaged in the design of the fit-out for TechBC's permanent campus at Surrey Place. This work encompasses tenant improvements for 42,000 m² (450,000-sq. ft.) of long-term leased space which is part of an extensive mixed-use addition to the existing Surrey Place Mall complex. Within this area, approximately 26,320 NASM is assigned to accommodate an initial student capacity of 2800 FTE. Teaching spaces include a large number of computer labs, some specialty presentation rooms and design studios. Multi-media production and post-production facilities are also an important part of the teaching spaces.

Teaching, research and administrative staff are grouped into activity clusters to encourage interdisciplinary collaboration and support. A major objective of the planning for these spaces is to allow for a high degree of flexibility in order to respond to future change. A highly responsive connectivity system is pre-planned; access flooring is used throughout; open planning allows for easy re-organization of workgroups. Casual interaction is encouraged through lounge and study areas fronting on major circulation routes.

Expected completion: May 2003.