



## EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

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### **Update on Major Projects January 18, 2019**

**Shafer Hall Renovations** – This project will renovate the 1946 building known as Shafer Hall. Shafer Hall is one of Eastern’s earliest buildings. The building will be completely renovated for residential use. We are introducing a new loft-style apartment for this building along with some two- and four-person suites. The building will house approximately 91 students. Shafer Auditorium will be renovated and retained for use as an assembly space. The Harry Hope Theatre will be renovated for recreation space that will be designed for use by students campus-wide. The building will also include lounges, computer study rooms, meeting rooms and a café to be located directly across from Shafer Auditorium. The building will receive new electrical, HVAC, plumbing, sprinklers, and heating systems as well as new windows and repairs to the building skin. The building will meet the State of Connecticut High Performance Building Regulations, which strive to match the USGBC LEED Silver Certification Standards. Construction began August 17, 2018, and the project is scheduled for completion July 2019.

**Goddard Hall/Communication Building Renovations** – This project will renovate both Goddard Hall and the Communication Building, providing for newly-renovated classrooms, labs and offices. The project will also include new electrical, HVAC, plumbing, sprinklers and heating upgrades. Windows will be replaced, and building skin improvements will be addressed. Once renovated, these buildings will meet the State of Connecticut High Performance Building Regulations. The Communication Building came off line in May of 2017 and was completed in July 2018. This building now houses new classrooms, labs, a state-of-the-art radio station and TV studio as well as new computer labs and offices for the Communication Department, Media Services and Banner Services. The interior renovation of Goddard Hall is well underway. The second-floor walls have all been framed and enclosed in gyp board, rough in of utilities is complete and ceilings are being framed. Goddard’s existing elevator has been replaced and it is expected to be working by the end of the month. They are nearing completion of a new elevator at the south end of the building that will serve both Goddard and the Communication Building. Goddard will house labs for KPE and Psychology, general-purpose classrooms and meeting rooms. This is the second phase of construction, and it is on track to be complete in June of 2019. The design of these buildings also meets the State of Connecticut High Performance Building Regulations.

**Webb Hall Elevator Upgrades** – This project includes the upgrades to both elevators serving Webb Hall. The elevator that serves the Faculty Wing of Webb Hall came offline in November. Work has been ongoing during the winter break and the elevator is scheduled to be tested,

inspected and on line by the start of spring semester classes. The second elevator will come off line in mid-January and will be upgraded with new controls, new car finishes, new cylinders, etc. It is scheduled to be complete in early May.

**Low Rise Courtyard Improvements & Stair Replacement** – Phase one of the Low Rise Courtyard Improvements and Stair Replacement project was completed in the summer of 2017. The center courtyard now has a central plaza with seating, new lighting and new plantings. The second phase of the project which included the demolition and replacement of the exterior stairs in the 300 and 400 building was completed during the summer of 2018. The next phase will demolish two exterior stairs in the 100 and 200 building, and one enclosed stair on the 400 building. This work will begin after Commencement and is scheduled to be complete at the beginning of August 2019.

**Noble Hall Roof Replacement & Masonry Restoration** – Design has been completed for the replacement of the roof on Noble Hall as well as masonry restoration. Noble Hall serves as a residence hall and is one of our oldest buildings. We will be bidding out the project in February and will begin construction immediately following Commencement.

**Burnap & Crandall Roof Replacement & Masonry Restoration** –This project will replace the existing roof membranes and repair/repoint the masonry on both buildings. These buildings serve as residence halls. The final phase of design is nearing completion and we expect to bid the project in February. Construction is expected to begin immediately following Commencement.

**Roadway and Walkway Improvements** – We continue to repair and replace walkways throughout campus in an effort to maintain an accessible campus for students, faculty and staff. Planning is underway for this project which will begin after Commencement.

**HTHW Manhole Replacement** - Webb Hall - The HTHW manhole outside of Webb Hall will be replaced this summer. We will also be replacing the HTHW piping into Webb Hall, which was originally installed in 1990. This project will also include the restoration of the sidewalks and planting beds in front of Webb Hall. The project will be bid during the winter months allowing us to award the construction contract and procure materials in time for summer construction. This work will be done during the shutdown of the heat plant and is expected to be complete by August.