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Update on Major Projects May 9, 2019

Shafer Hall Renovations – This project is nearing completion. It included the complete renovation of the 1946 building known as Shafer Hall. Shafer Hall is one of Eastern’s earliest buildings. Shafer previously served as an academic building and is being renovated to serve as a residence hall. 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 in July 2019.

Goddard Hall/Communication Building Renovations – This project is also nearing completion. It included the complete renovation of both Goddard Hall and the Communication Building. It provides newly-renovated classrooms, labs and offices. The project will also include new electrical, HVAC, plumbing, sprinklers and heating upgrades. Windows were replaced and building skin improvements increased energy efficiency. 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 nearing completion. 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 completed in June of 2019.

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, the work was completed, and the elevator was put back into service in January. The work on the classroom wing elevator was completed as of May 8.

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

buildings was completed during the summer of 2018. The third phase of this project will include the exterior stairs to the 100 and 200 buildings, and the enclosed stair to the 400 building. This work will begin the week of May 20, 2019 and will be completed by August 15, 2019.

Noble Hall Roof Replacement & Masonry Restoration – Design was completed in the fall of 2018 for this project which includes the replacement of the roof on Noble Hall as well as masonry restoration. The building permit was issued in late November, and the project was bid in February. Construction will begin during the week of May 20th and will extend to October. Masonry restoration and repointing is scheduled to be complete by August 15, 2019, the roof is scheduled to be complete by the end of October 2019.

Burnap & Crandall Roof Replacement & Masonry Restoration –This project will replace the existing roof membrane and repair/repoint the masonry on both buildings. These buildings serve as residence halls. The design was completed in the fall of 2018. A building permit was issued in December and bidding occurred in March. The construction contract has been awarded and construction will begin the week of May 20th. The masonry restoration and re-pointing are scheduled to be complete by August 15, 2019. The roofing is scheduled to be complete by October 2019.

Burnap & Crandall Flooring Replacement - Crandall Hall will have the asbestos tile flooring abated from the building. New vinyl plank flooring will be installed in the student rooms and corridors. New carpet will be installed in the lounges. In Burnap Hall, we will be replacing the flooring in the corridors and the lounges with new vinyl plank flooring and carpeting.

High Rise Flooring Replacement - The High Rise Apartment Complex is a nine-story residence hall. This building was last renovated in 2000. We will be replacing all flooring in the suites and the main corridors. We will be removing carpeting from student rooms and replacing it with new vinyl plank flooring.

Occum Hall Flooring Replacement - We will be replacing all flooring in student bedrooms this summer, removing old carpet and replacing it with new vinyl plank flooring.

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. This year we will replace sidewalks at the entry to the Library, along Eastern Road in front of the Planetarium, and adjacent to the Clock Tower.

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 include the restoration of sidewalks and planting beds in front of Webb Hall. The project was bid out in February, and a construction contract has been awarded. Construction on site will begin the week of May 20th. Work within Webb Hall has been underway and is nearing completion of final tie in of the new piping being extended from the manhole.

Campus Wayfinding Signage – The planning/design for this project is nearing completion. This project will refresh and update the wayfinding signage throughout campus. With the addition of several buildings since the signage was originally installed, signage schedules need to be updated, signs need to be re-finished and re-lettered.