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WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

HVAC Renovation Projects

03/26/2024 AEOI 2400000004





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KARPINSKI ENGINEERING

Firm Profile



TOP 1000 MEP Firm: Consulting-Specifying Engineer and Building Design + Construction

130 STAFF, 5 LOCATIONS

Cleveland, Columbus, Pittsburgh, Akron-Canton, and Jamestown NY

40+ YEARS OF ENGINEERING **Karpinski Engineering is an award-winning, multidisciplinary engineering firm.** We partner with clients to design environments that make a positive impact on people and communities.

Karpinski is known for mechanical, electrical, and plumbing engineering, but we are so much more than MEP. Clients turn to Karpinski for technology design, specialty fire protection engineering, and civil engineering, as well as energy, sustainability, and commissioning services. We apply our diverse experience to develop effective solutions to our clients' toughest engineering challenges.

We collaborate with dedicated higher education leaders who are working diligently to deliver exceptional educational experiences. Our deep expertise in educational settings translates into innovative engineering solutions and student-focused spaces. We have designed MEPT systems for award-winning education projects that advance academic inquiry, athletics, and student life. Our portfolio includes academic and research buildings, student life facilities, athletics and recreation spaces, and campus infrastructure. Karpinski Engineering consistently ranks on the *BD*+*C* Giants Report as one of the top university sector engineering firms in the U.S.

With our sustainable design experience, we help schools improve their environmental impact and optimize their energy use. We have contributed to 100+ LEED Certified projects, one WELL Silver Certified project (two WELL projects in progress), and 40+ geothermal projects. Our team includes Certified Energy Managers, LEED Accredited Professionals, and experienced energy modelers.

DOUGLAS A. BARNES, PE







PROJECT ROLE

< Principal-in-Charge

CREDENTIALS

- < Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, Grove City College
- < Pennsylvania Professional Engineer #PE090419
- < Ohio Professional Engineer #71957

HIGHLIGHTS

- < Corresponding Member, ASHRAE Technical Committee 9.6 Healthcare Facilities
- < ASHRAE Member

ABOUT DOUG

Doug Barnes brings energy and an eye for detail to his projects. He has been part of the Karpinski Engineering team for more than a decade. Today, he provides project and mechanical design leadership for healthcare, laboratory, and specialty projects. He is experienced in all phases of mechanical engineering, including design, cost estimating, construction administration, and building systems evaluation.

Working with clients, Doug's communication style is direct and open. He helps clients stay informed and on-point with their projects. When leading engineering project teams, Doug's responsiveness and knowledge contribute to an engaged, focused team.

RELATED PROJECTS

BAKER-PORTER HALL VARIOUS RENOVATIONS & UPGRADES Carnegie Mellon University | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Building Study | Renovation | Fire Protection | Classroom Renovations

FORBES & BEELER RESIDENCE HALL Carnegie Mellon University | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania GMP Peer Review

HOYT HALL ADDITION & RENOVATION Westminster College | New Wilmington, Pennsylvania Infrastructure | Boiler & Chiller Upgrade | Classroom & Lab Renovations

ARTS CENTER

Seton Hill University | Greensburg, Pennsylvania New Construction | 46,000 SF | \$11.7 M

TRIPPE RESIDENCE HALL

Penn State University | Behrend | Erie, Pennsylvania New Construction | 67,000 SF | \$28.5 M | LEED Silver Certified

BERKLEY MEDICAL CENTER, SURGERY EXPANSION AND RENOVATION STUDY

WVU Medicine | Martinsburg, West Virginia Study to Plan for Surgery Expansion | Revealed Need for New Infrastructure and New Sterile Processing Department

HEART & VASCULAR INSTITUTE RENOVATIONS UPMC | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 84,500 SF | \$32 M | Renovation to Offices, Cath Labs, Surgery, & Testing



DAN DICRISCIO, PE, LEED AP BD+C

Senior Mechanical Project Engineer



ABOUT DAN

Dan DiCriscio appreciates the straight-up math and science of his work: applying physics and chemistry to solve real-world problems.

He designs HVAC and plumbing systems, with expertise in laboratories. His experience spans museums, performing arts centers, industrial facilities, and other spaces with demanding HVAC design criteria. He has also served as a commissioning authority, giving him a firsthand look at how design comes together in the field.

Dan approaches his work knowing that there's always something new to learn, and he pursues opportunities to make improvements.

PROJECT ROLE

< Lead Mechanical Engineer

CREDENTIALS

- < Bachelor of Architectural Engineering Penn State University
- < Pennsylvania Professional Engineer #PE088068
- < Maryland Professional Engineer, #43126
- < LEED-Accredited Professional, Building Design + Construction

RELATED PROJECTS

HOYT SCIENCE CENTER ADDITION CX Westminster College | New Wilmington, Pennsylvania 27,000 SF, 3-story addition | Construction phase Commissioning | LEED v4

HERITAGE HALL

Ohio University | Athens, Ohio \$65 M | 126,000 SF New Construction | Medical Education Building

RHOADES HALL / APPLIED SCIENCE CENTER Clark State Community College | Springfield, Ohio

\$4 M Infrastructure Upgrades | Design-Build

MAIN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS Belmont College | Clairsville, Ohio

93,000 SF | \$6.1 M | HVAC and Lighting Upgrades | Engergy Efficiency | Select student space renovations

BRICKER HALL HVAC REPAIR & REPLACEMENT

The Ohio State University | Columbus, Ohio 32,000 SF | \$3.2 M | HVAC Renovation | VRF System | Historic Building

CLASSROOM VENTILATION VERIFICATION AND REPAIRS The Ohio State University | Various, Ohio

113 Buildings | 255 Air Handling Units | 1,100 Classrooms | \$1.5 M Under Budget

KALEB DEKKER Project Engineer





ABOUT KALEB

For Kaleb Dekker, customizing electrical and technology systems to each client's project is one of the most interesting parts of his job. He appreciates the opportunity to work on systems that his clients will use every day.

Kaleb collaborates with design teams to create layouts for power, lighting, fire alarm, and technology systems. He is attentive to meeting the client's design intent within the project's schedule requirements.

PROJECT ROLE

< Lead Electrical Engineer

CREDENTIALS

< Bachelor of Engineering, Electrical and Electronics, Grove City College

RELATED PROJECTS

WATER PIPING REPLACEMENT The University of Pittsburgh | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Replacement of Condensed Water Piping | Completed in 2020

BIOMED BUILDING The Pennsylvania State University, Fayette Campus | Lemont Furnace, Pennsylvania Higher Education Laboratory | Study & Renovation

BAKER PORTER DEITRICH COLLEGE RENOVATION Carnegie Mellon University | Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Office and Classroom Renovations | MEP and Technology Infrastructure Upgrades

ACADEMIC BUILDING Kenyon College | Gambier, Ohio Renovation | MEP and Fire Protection Services

RHOADES HALL RENOVATION Clark State Community College | Springfield, Ohio 3rd Floor Restroom and Office Renovation | Three New Restrooms

WELCOME CENTER Pittsburgh Botanic Garden | Oakdale, Pennsylvania New Construction | 7,600 SF | Designed for Energy Efficiency



Designed to Thrive.

BACKGROUND

Great design is inspired by vision. We design buildings and spaces that allow people to thrive – physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Our unique service journey is rooted in effective delivery strategies and informed by principles of health and wellness. We believe that healthy spaces lead to healthy people, and healthy people lead to a healthy world.





Firm Profile

CURRENT

CAPACITY

Desmone is organized into 7 design studios.
We aim to complete projects by adopting principles found in the "agile" methodology.
This methodology allows us to scale our human resources as project demands increase while maintaining a relationship with the same team the client starts the project with.

We take the time to understand the scale, type and personalities of the client to ensure we are matching the right design teams with our clients. At this point, we have resources available across all of our studios to assist in large and small projects.





Team

DESMONE TEAM

BRADLEY FRANKHOUSER

Principal in Charge

Education

Years of Experience





BACKGROUND

With over 24 years of experience in the Architecture industry, Bradley currently manages Desmone's Morgantown, WV office. He excels as a consistent, detail-oriented Prinicpal/Project Manager who works closely with clients throughout the project to control costs and avoid unnecessary surprises.

Throughout his career, Bradley commits to seeing a project start to finish and ensures consistency throughout the project's duration. He executes the detail needed for design development and construction documentation by reviewing and applying building codes as well as has vast amount of higher education experience. For the last several years Bradley has been a lead project manager for educational facilities and office projects.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

WVU Medicine - Center for Nursing Education	California Univ. of PA - Coover Hall Renovation
Morgantown, WV	California, PA
California Univ. of PA - New Science Hall Physics &	West Virginia University - Ascend Co-working
Chem. Lab Reno - California,PA	Morgantown, WV
Westmoreland County Comm. College - Indiana	California Univ. of PA - Former Harris Farm House
Campus Academic Building - Indiana, PA	Reno & Addition - California, PA
Duquesne Univ Law School Lecture Hall & Moot	Univ. of Pittsburgh - William Pitt Student Union
Courtroom Reno Pittsburgh, PA	Reno Pittsburgh, PA
WVU - Field Hall Renovation	Duquesne Univ, - Rangos Physicians Assitance
Morgantown, WV	Program Relocation - Pittsburgh, PA
Indiana Univ. of PA - Culinary Reno.	Seton Hill University - Center for Orthodontics
Punxsutawney,PA	Greensburg,PA
WVU - Chitwood Hall Renovation	Clarion University - Stevens Hall Repairs

Morgantown, WV

Clarion University - Stevens Hall Repairs Clarion, PA



Team

DESMONE TEAM

TRAVIS HOWARD

Project Manager / Project Architect

Education Fairmont State University, Master of Architecture, 2019

Bachelor of Architecture, 2017

Registration/Credentials NCARB, AIA, LEED Green Associate

Years of Experience



BACKGROUND

Travis is a Project Architect with experience in leading architectural projects from conception to completion. He is proficient in translating client requirements into innovative design solutions while adhering to budgetary and timeline constraints. Skilled in overseeing all phases of project development, including schematic design, construction documentation, and construction administration. Travis excels in communication with crossfunctional teams, contractors, and stakeholders to ensure seamless execution of projects.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

WVU Chitwood Hall Renovation	WVU Ascend Co-Working Space
Morgantown, WV	Morgantown, PA
WVU Ascend Co-working Space	Westmoreland County Community College - Indiana
Morgantown, WV	Campus - Indiana, PA
California University - Coover Hall Renovations	WVU Medicine - Fieldcrest Hall Renovation
California, PA	Morgantown, WV
PennWest California Kara Alumni House	IUP Culinary Arts Master Plan
California, PA	Indiana, PA
California University - Music Dept Relocation Study	IUP Existing Culinary Facility Renovation & Addition
California, PA	Indiana, PA

*Extensive project list available upon request





KARPINSKI ENGINEERING

Higher Education Experience



Belmont College St. Clairsville, Ohio Health Sciences Center Main Building Improvements

Bowling Green State University Bowling Green, Ohio 2018 Building Assessments

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Baker Porter Study Forbes & Beeler Residence Halls Peer Review Ansys Hall Set Review & MEP Training

Case Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio Health Education Campus Fribley Commons Renovation & Expansion

Cleveland State University Cleveland, Ohio Center for Innovation in Medical Professions Student Center Main Classroom Building Renovation School of Film, TV and Interactive Media

College of Wooster Wooster, Ohio Facilities Assessments Library Energy Study Lowry Student Center

Columbus State Community College Columbus, Ohio Columbus Hall Boiler Replacement Union Hall Various Renovations

Cuyahoga Community College

Cleveland, Ohio Eastern Campus Mandel Humanities Center Manufacturing Center for Excellence Addition & Renovation Metro Campus Center

Grace College Winona Lake, Indiana Dr. Dane A Miller Science Complex

Grove City College

Grove City, Pennsylvania Ketler Auditorium Heat and Smoke Vent Reduction Study

John Carroll University

University Heights, Ohio Sustainability and Energy Study Rodman Hall Renovation

Kent State University

Kent, Ohio Art Building Study Beall, McDowell, Prentice, and Dunbar Halls HVAC Renovations Clark, Manchester, and Fletcher Halls HVAC and Student Room Improvements Geauga Campus Classroom Building HVAC Renovations

Kenyon College

Gambier, Ohio Academic Building Administration Building

KARPINSKI ENGINEERING

Higher Education Experience







Mercyhurst University

Erie, Pennsylvania Tom Ridge Health and Safety Building Hammermill Library Renovation

Oberlin College Oberlin, Ohio Burton Hall Renovation Allen Memorial Art Museum LEED Administration

The Ohio State University

Columbus, Ohio Bricker Hall HVAC Repair & Replacement COVID-19 Filter Study Enarson Classroom HVAC Improvements Hitchcock Hall HVAC Repair & Replacement Kottman Hall HVAC Renovation Library Book Depository HVAC and Hydronic System Modifications Newton Hall Addition and Renovation

Ohio University

Athens, Ohio Alden Library Infrastructure Renovation Ph. 3 & 4 Heritage Hall, Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine at Cleveland Clinic South Pointe

Penn State University

Commonwealth Campuses Beaver Campus Library Classroom Renovations Fayette Campus Classroom Building Upgrades

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Barbour Library Renovation Commissioning **Seton Hill University** Greensburg, Pennsylvania Arts Center

University of Saint Francis Fort Wayne, Indiana Achatz Hall of Science

Theil College

Greenville, Pennsylvania James Pedas Communication Building Academic Center Boiler Replacement

Westminster College

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania Hoyt Hall Science Building Media Art + Design Building

Youngstown State University Youngstown, Ohio Beeghly Center Natatorium Renovation







HITCHCOCK HALL HVAC REPAIR & REPLACEMENT

The Ohio State University



PROJECT STATS

- < 34,000 SF
- **<** \$1.3 M
- < Year complete: 2016

SERVICES

- < Mechanical
- < Electrical
- < Plumbing
- < Commissioning

Karpinski Engineering designed new HVAC for portions of Hitchcock Hall, an engineering classroom building. They replaced two of the building's air handlers, which had reached the end of their operational life.

The equipment replacement improves energy efficiency. OSU prioritized efficiency in system selection and operations. The design team implemented controls strategies to improve system energy efficiency and take advantage of part-load situations.

A summer construction schedule accommodates partial occupancy. The construction schedule took advantage of the summer months, when students are off campus. Because faculty and administrative offices remained occupied during construction, the team provided temporary plans for space conditioning.

Functional performance testing verifies system functionality. The team performed functional performance testing of the installed equipment (air handlers and VAV boxes) and controls. They also provided testing and balancing.



BEALL, MCDOWELL, PRENTICE, AND DUNBAR HALLS HVAC RENOVATIONS Kent State University



PROJECT STATS

- < 4 Buildings
- **<** \$15.7 M
- < Year complete: 2015

SERVICES

- < Mechanical
- < Electrical

Kent State University refreshed four mid-century residence halls with new HVAC systems. The buildings – Beall, McDowell, Prentice, and Dunbar Halls – house nearly 1,000 students.

Karpinski Engineering served as the MEP criteria engineer, after serving as the MEP design engineer on a previous residence hall renovation project. They also provided construction administrations services.

Updated HVAC provides both heating and cooling. The existing two-pipe HVAC systems provided heating only. KSU replaced them with four-pipe systems for heating and cooling.

Design-build method expedites project delivery. KSU needed to keep the halls online throughout the academic year, so renovations needed to be completed during the summer months. The design-build delivery allowed for the compressed construction schedule.

The project was managed via OAKS-CI.



Experience

WVU Medicine - Center for Nursing Education.

CLIENT WVUIC / WVU Medicine

LOCATION

Morgantown, WV

SERVICES

Envision Plan Design Execute Thrive

PROJECTED COST \$8,000,000

AREA 25,845 est. sq. ft

START DATE January, 2024

END DATE Est. March, 2025

Health & Wellness

Creative

Collaborative

Personable

OVERVIEW

This is a newly leased area of 25,845 square feet designated for the tenant fit-out of the WVU Medicine Center for Nursing Education within the existing WVU Innovation Center, which spans approximately 1.1 million square feet. The fit-out aims to accommodate around 250 students who will complete their program in 1.5 years, earning a fully accredited degree, as opposed to the standard 4-year nursing program. The focus is on enhancing the practical interaction of nursing education with patients, real-life scenarios, and the actual work environment, facilitating hands-on learning. This shift in educational approach increases clinical exposure while reducing classroom time, thereby transforming the learning experience for students.

The fit-out includes five flexible classrooms designed for hands-on learning, five simulation labs equipped with control rooms for educators to oversee students remotely, and a six-bed Skills Lab alongside a nursing station and a Hands-on Learning Lab. Furthermore, the space incorporates standard amenities found in educational institutions, such as private breakout areas, staff offices, lounges for both staff and students, a testing center, restroom facilities, locker rooms, a meditation room, and a washroom.





Experience

HIGHER EDUCATION Edinboro Learning Commons.

OVERVIEW

CLIENT

Edinboro University

LOCATION

Edinboro, PA

SERVICES

Envision Plan Design Execute Thrive

ACTUAL COST

\$1,100,000

AREA 12,515 sq. ft

START DATE

October, 2015

END DATE

January, 2017





Edinboro University Learning Commons is an interior renovation of 12,515 SF on the second floor of the Baron Forness Library. Spaces included within the renovation are the Writing Center, Test Center, Career and Adult Student Services, International Student Services, associated offices, a conference room, and a shared tutoring and classroom space complete with a folding partition.

The renovation will have all new finishes and ceiling treatments thr oughout to provide a modern ambience. The wall separating the Learning Commons and Library serves as a feature wall to create a playful space with added color. Glazing was used within the feature wall to provide transparency between the learning commons space and Library.



Experience

Additional Higher Education Experience.

Desmone has experience with numerous large Higher Education projects as the profile sheets display. Many have been completed with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education under the open-ended contract.

We understand and take pride in recognizing the time and attention to detail these project types require and consider them to be our specialty. The following are projects completed per University over the last 10 years.

CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PA

Roadman Park Softball Facility Study Philipsburg School Renovation Roof Replacements Morgan Hall Wheelchair Lift Installation Manderino Data Center Upgrades SAI Farm Renovation/Addition & Pavilion New Science Hall Classroom Renovation New Science Hall NMR Installation New Science Hall Facade Study Elevator Renovations Adamson Stadium Elevator Addition Adamson Stadium IT Building & Wave Cam Philipsburg Soccer Facility

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Center for Nursing Education United Linen Services Study WVUIC - Omnia Medical Ascend Co-Working Chitwood Hall Renovation Field Hall Renovation



Experience

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

William Pitt Union 9th Floor Renovation SIS 8th Floor Renovation ADA Upgrades Cathedral of Learning Misc. Classroom Renovations Salk Hall Classroom Upgrades EDC Server Room Upgrades Family Medicine

CLARION UNIVERSITY

Marwick Boyd / Rhoades / Gemmel / Montgomery Roof Replacements Carlson Library Water Infiltration Repairs Stevens Hall Water Infiltration Repairs Marwick Boyd Stage Curtain Abatement Suhr Library Feasibility Study

SETON HILL UNIVERSITY

Center for Orthodontics Visual Arts Center Study

ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY

Athletics Storage Building

DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

WDUQ Radio Relocation College Hall Restroom Renovation Rangos Physician Assistant Dept. Relocation Law School Moot Court & Classroom Reno. HR Building Study Pharmacy Wellness Center

EDINBORO UNIVERSITY

Van Houten Dining Hall Renovation Library Learning Commons / Pod Cast Studio & Art Gallery Library Master Plan

INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PA

Food Service Master Plan Culinary Master Plan Culinary Facility Upgrades Sutton Hall Restroom Renovation Foster Hall Feasibility Study Grant Street Park Athletic Field Upgrades









March 11, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I provide this letter of recommendation for Karpinski Engineering and their professional staff.

My current role for The College of Wooster is Director of Facilities Budget & Project Administration. I have worked with Karpinski Engineering for 5 years on a variety of projects throughout our campus. They have become a trusted resource for the College that we can rely on for any project.

Karpinski Engineering provided professional consulting engineering services which included full plumbing, fire protection, HVAC, electrical, and technology designs as dictated by the project scope.

On the Lowry Student Center Project, Karpinski Engineering's staff provided excellent communication, planning, and designs for a large multi-phased renovation project where parts of the building had to remain active. Karpinski Engineering's staff collaborated well with our campus facilities team members and our construction partners to ensure each phase of the project was successful. They were actively engaged as our team members from the beginning conceptual planning stages through the final construction completion.

The College of Wooster has realized significant value from Karpinski Engineering and would I recommend them for any project requiring consulting engineering services.

Sincerely,

Beau Mastrine, CGM

Director of Facilities Budget & Project Administration

The College of Wooster

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Facilities Operations 580 E. Wayne Avenue Wooster, OH 44691



UC SANTA BARBARA Design & Construction Services

February 7, 2024

To Whom it May Concern,

I provide this letter of recommendation for Karpinski Engineering.

I worked with Karpinski Engineering for over 15 years on a variety of projects at Cleveland State University when I was the Executive Director of Capital Planning and University Architect. The Karpinski team regularly provided full professional MEPT engineering services on many projects.

As an owner's representative I always hold it in high regards when a consultant has longstanding relationships with the owner. The fact that we returned to them many times was a testament to their continued good service and excellent communication skills. They consistently listened to our specific requirements while demonstrating a collaborative spirit.

I highly recommend Karpinski Engineering as part of your team of design professionals.

Sincerely,

Ed Soly

Ed Schmittgen Associate Director and Campus Building Official University of California, Santa Barbara



KARPINSKI ENGINEERING

Reference Letter



February 13, 2024

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with immense pleasure that I provide this letter of recommendation for Karpinski Engineering and their professional staff.

In my role as Vice President, I have worked with Karpinski Engineering for nine years. Annually Karpinski Engineering is actively involved with five to six College projects. I am always happy to see Karpinski on a project team because I know I can rely on them to deliver results.

Karpinski Engineering provided professional services including, full consulting MEPT engineering as dictated by the project scope, feasibility studies, and design services. Their approach involves close collaboration, open communication, responsiveness, and results. Karpinski's attention to detail and problem-solving have helped to keep our projects on track and on budget.

Cuyahoga Community College has realized significant value from Karpinski Engineering. Their elevated level of collaboration, communication, responsiveness, and results are among the many reasons I recommend them for any project requiring consulting engineering services.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Lation

Cynthia Leitson Vice President Capital, Construction and Facilities Cuyahoga Community College

> Capital, Construction & Facilities District Administrative Services 700 Carnegie Avenue Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2878 216-987-4653

Cuyahoga Community College is an affirmative action / equal opportunity institution.

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KARPINSKI ENGINEERING Project Approach

At the outset of the project, we will meet with West Virginia State University's team to identify the current needs and expectations for the Drain-Jordan Library, Wallace Hall, Ferrell Hall, Fleming Hall and Cole Complex. We will discuss West Virginia State University's priorities for the new system or equipment, including your preferred system or equipment type, performance, functionality, lifespan and budget.

Identify Existing Conditions

As we proceed with the project, we will review existing drawings and conduct field observations. This allows us to understand the current facility conditions and begin planning the upgrades. We will identify the existing system or equipment age, condition, capacity, controls, code compliance, and deficiencies. If present and observable, hazardous materials will be identified. We will also be mindful of potential structural or architectural impacts.

At this stage, conversations with facilities staff are a valuable part of our investigations. Facilities staff bring hands-on knowledge of the building systems. They understand how the equipment is operated, what is working well with the existing equipment, and where they see opportunities to improve equipment functionality with the new equipment.

Design and Engineering

Karpinski documents our design with the creation of drawings and specifications. Our design process is focused. We like discussing the available options and establishing direction early in design, so that we can focus on detailing the design later in the design stage.

When renovating and upgrading HVAC equipment and systems, there are a number of design factors to consider.

System or Equipment Type. We will assess different manufacturers and equipment, and we will learn West Virginia State University's preferences regarding specific manufacturers or system types. We typically focus on proven technologies with good track records, so that WVSU can be confident in their system. Where possible, we like to review with facilities staff the different technologies available, so that they understand the differences in equipment selections and can contribute their expertise to the decision-making process.

- < Performance and Functionality. What kind of performance and functionality does WVSU want from their system? Energy efficiency, reliability, redundancy and controls are all part of this conversation. WVSU's preferences will help shape design decisions.
- < Selecting Energy-Efficient Systems and Designing for Efficient Operation. Energy efficiency depends on both the systems that are selected and the way that they are operated. We give attention to both. Additionally, we are attentive to what the facility staff can reasonably operate and maintain.
- < Impact of Current Code Requirements. Our team keeps up on the relevant codes and standards, and we are attentive to how they affect the specific systems or equipment being addressed, as well as potential trickle-down effects (where changes in this system or equipment may impact other systems or equipment).
- < Phasing. WVSU's operational requirements are factored into our design. We will incorporate phasing plans as needed for situations such as continuous operation and/or limited shutdowns or accommodating construction phased over summer or winter breaks.

Construction Phase Services

During construction, Karpinski Engineering will review shop drawings, answer RFIs, and review change orders. We will visit the site on a regular basis and provide a field report of the contractor's progress of work. We will review the contractor's pay requests. We will provide a punch list inspection upon substantial completion of the project.



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