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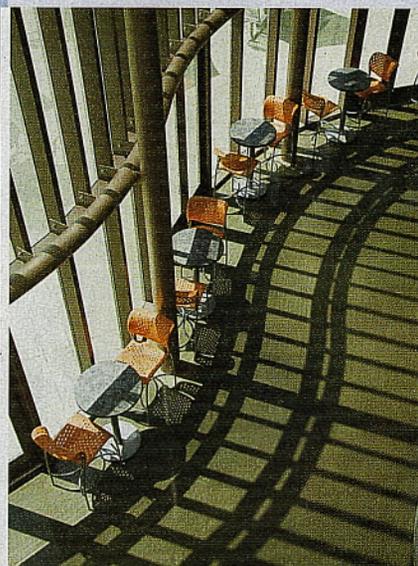
INVEST TIME TO MAKE IT WORTHWHILE

## STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN SAFETY INITIATIVES

AWARE STUDENTS ARE SECURE STUDENTS

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# University of La Verne

## Abraham Campus Center

**U**niversity of La Verne, a 120-year-old private university located in southern California, commissioned Pasadena, CA-based Gonzalez Goodale Architects to design a new structure at the campus core that would consolidate student activities and host campus-wide functions. The Abraham Campus Center creates a new identity for the venerable institution and serves as an iconic center for the recruitment and retention of new students.

Located at the literal hub of the campus, with views towards the city and the San Gabriel Mountains, the building design capitalizes on the strength of place while

respecting the site's context. The architectural expression of the 40,000-sq.-ft. campus center is focused on the building's main entry, a north-facing, three-story, glass curtain wall on axis with the University's main entry artery that illuminates campus activities within, extending an invitation to passersby.

Reception, student recreation, student life offices, and a café are located immediately off of the entry on the ground floor, with classrooms along a second-floor balcony. A multipurpose banquet room and pre-function porch, with panoramic views of the mountains, occupy the third level. Arcades, decks, patios, and gardens throughout the facility link the campus

center with the campus's outdoor life.

The campus center was designed to a LEED Silver rating for sustainability. Daylighting, high-quality views from all occupied spaces; a minimal materials palette of regionally sourced concrete flooring, stone, and glass; and materials rich in recycled content — such as carpet tiles, casework, counters, and furnishings — are some of the initiatives that were implemented.

At the opening of the building in September 2009, University President Stephen C. Morgan commented that the University's "new 'family room' will serve as the heart of campus life, helping to create a lifelong bond between our students, faculty, and staff."