



**Cornell University**  
**Facilities Services**  
**Contract Colleges Facilities**

**Fernow and Rice Hall**  
**Renovations**

*Project Manager:* Brad Newhouse/Rachel Fives  
*Architect:* di Domenico + Partners, LLP  
*Contractor:* LeChase Construction (Fernow)  
*Location:* Fernow Hall, Rice Hall

*Project Description:*

The purpose of this SUNY Capital Plan project is to provide a comprehensive plan to address long-term space needs for the departments in Fernow, Rice, Bruckner, Bradfield, and Plant Science buildings. It includes a surging and phasing plan that would allow for renovation and upgrades of Fernow and Rice Halls, and a strategy for improving quality and alignment of space for four academic departments – Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, Crop and Soil Sciences, Natural Resources, and Plant Breeding & Genetics – as well as International Programs, Sea Grant, and the Cornell Center for a Sustainable Future. Currently there is insufficient space to accommodate existing and projected programs, and much of the existing space requires modernization to meet current academic requirements, building code, and sustainability objectives. This plan takes a long-term view projecting work flow through 2015, to accomplish renovations and upgrades in the buildings and improvements in academic program areas; optimizes funds available to the college from state and internal resources; minimizes the surge impact on students, faculty, and staff; results in renovated space that is of higher quality, better suited and more aligned with academic program areas; and meets building code, maintenance, and sustainable objectives, and requirements.

*Project Status:*

Basement floor slab is complete. Mechanical tie-ins to Mann Library are underway in accordance with design documents to maintain pedestrian and emergency vehicle access. Masons have returned to the site for brick repair.



*Fernow Hall Basement – view into future Stair B.*



*Fernow Hall Third Floor – Wall framing to create future Graduate Student Offices.*

<u><i>Approvals to Date:</i></u>	CF&PC	B&P
Project Concept	Aug 07	Sep 07
Approval of Design	May 09	Jun 09
Fernow Construction	Dec 10	Jan 11

*Project Milestones:*

<b>Fernow Hall Construction:</b>		
Actual Start:		May 11
Scheduled Completion:		May 13
<b>Rice Hall Construction:</b>		
Scheduled Start:		Jun 13
Scheduled Completion:		Jan 15