Project Manager: Brad Newhouse/Rachel Fives  
Architect: di Domenico + Partners, LLP  
Contractor: LeChase Construction (Fernow)  
Project Size: 29,500 GSF  
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:
Renovation: Sanding, priming, and painting are ongoing with work on the top floor of the building, continuing down to the ground level. Millwork installation is nearing completion. Mechanical fixture installation has begun. Lighting and electrical switch installation is ongoing. Controls programming continues as building systems are started up and brought online.

Classroom Addition: Exterior curtainwall installation was delayed until late January. Access flooring installation is complete. Electrical and mechanical rough-ins are ongoing. Concrete stairs and ramp connection to Fernow will be complete mid-January.

Approvals to Date:  
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:
Fernow Hall Construction:  
Actual Start: May 11  
Scheduled Completion: May 13  
Occupancy: Jun 13

Rice Hall Construction:  
Scheduled Start: Jun 13

12/17/12 – Corridor with light fixtures and millwork installed, primed and 1st coat of paint

12/17/12 – A common room with vinyl tile installed, light fixtures, millwork and mechanical components in place