



ROGERS-YERGENS HALL



Location Fort Wayne, Indiana

Partners Grinsfelder Architects
Architecture / Design Firm

Type Permanent Dormitory Facility

Size Total Structure: 18,000 sft.

Client Indiana Institute of Technology serves over 4,000 students from around the world. The school, located in downtown Fort Wayne, IN, is known for programs in mathematics, engineering and science, but offers a well-regarded liberal arts program as well. In the past decade, the school has undergone rapid growth.

Their Need Housing increasingly had become a problem for the school as the 19th century neighborhood around campus deteriorated and houses were cleared to open additional classroom space. Tech had decided to build, but needed their new dormitory to compete with local apartments, as well as be available for the start of the semester.

Our Solution Whitley, in cooperation with Grinsfelder Architects, took on the project with the guarantee that the students would have spacious and comfortable apartments well before the start of classes. In less than 90 days, the ground was cleared, the building completed and finish work finalized.

Forty-five students have private rooms in shared apartments. Common areas provide well-lighted study areas while saving energy through passive solar lighting applications. Tech is pleased with the building, enough to have selected Whitley for their latest project, Evans-Kimmell Hall.



Planning Phase. Architectural Design by Grinsfelder Architects & Engineering work by Whitley Mfg.

STEP ONE

Site development and foundations begin at the project site. Concurrently, construction of the modules is begun off-site at Whitley Manufacturing's construction facilities.

STEP TWO

Building sections are transported to site and set. University disruption is minimal as work takes place over the summer.

STEP THREE

Building is finished. The school has a completed dormitory building prepared for Fall Semester.

STEP FOUR

STEP FIVE

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The dormitory features a residential exterior design with a high-pitched roof and brick exterior covering, lending the structure the feel of home.

The three-story building offers a large, open common area at each floor along for study and group activities.

The building's design brings modernity to the campus while still referencing the other structures through the use of common materials.

The structure was set in a matter of days, allowing the site to quickly become weathertight and secure.

By constructing the majority of the structure off-site, the campus was spared the disruption and danger of a large scale construction project.

By utilizing modern building techniques and completing site-work and building construction concurrently, Whitley Mfg. can cut typical construction timelines by 30-50% depending on the project - delivering a rapid return on construction investment.