MSU STEM Building CM Case Study & Mass Timber Education

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MSU STEM Building CM Case Study: Project Overview



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY: **STEM**

PROGRAM GOALS

Improve and enhance the undergraduate learning experience, support teaching and learning, attract more students in STEM disciplines, and better prepare them for professional careers in STEM fields Bring together outdated teaching laboratories and instructional support spaces; support changes in STEM curriculum and teaching methods.

Create a campus hub for teaching and learning across the sciences, arts and humanities.

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BUILDING PROGRAM

- Undergraduate Teaching Laboratory space of approximately 120,000 GSF
- Modular, flexible active learning teaching labs
- Student breakout spaces, project labs in support of curriculum innovation

Chemistry

• STEM Gateway courses in:









Computer Science





Materials Science

Physics

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MSU STEM Building CM Case Study:

Lessons Learned

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Early Team Integration is Critical

» Timber design and fabrication



Column Label Conventions: 15 1/2"x18 3/4"

actual square dimension(in) of glulam column on floor indicated on sheet u.n.o.

Column designation 50 SP N1D14 with assumed allowable axial stress Fc = 2300 psi and modulus of elasticity E = $1.9x10^{46}$ psi are required for columns sizes greater than $20^{\circ}x20^{\circ}$.

Column designation 48 SP N2D12 with assumed allowable axial stress Fc = 2200 psi and modulus of elasticity E = 1.7x10⁶ psi are required for column sizes less than 20"x20".

Source: Granger Construction

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» Timber design and fabrication

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Early implementation of VDC



Source: IDS, Inc.



Source: Granger Construction



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Early Integration because Coring Locations Matter



Source: Granger Construction

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Early Integration to Gain Schedule Compression



Insurance







VERMONT

NEW

HAMPSHIRE

MASSACHUSETTS 18

🚘 16 hr 6 min

NEW YORK

1,553 km

Toronto

Logistics

» Daily communications

» Material availability? Productivity gains

MICHIGAN

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WISCONSIN

Michigan State University

Quebec City

MAINE

Trades Coordination

» Local coordination

- » Faster turnover
 - » Pull planning
 - » Work pace
 - » JIT delivery criticality



Source: Granger Construction

Steel Integration

>> Delineate scope

» Color-coded drawings

> Phasing plan



Protect Work in Place

» Assigned to subcontractor work scopes

» Moisture management

» Physical protection

» Cleaning



Bottom Line

» Communications was critical – direct tie to integration

» Dedicated, documented planning systems

» Document the details – "buildings fail at the intersection of contracts"



Mass Timber Education

Goals of Mass Timber CM Education

- » Consistency with program accreditation
- » Industry standard- and practice-based
- » Blend of theory and practice with hands-on elements
- » Case- and project-based learning
- » Integrated concepts/systems-focused
- » Create scalable, replicable, national model curriculum



Industry Standards: USDOL Competency Model Framework

- » Add focused content at mid-upper levels
- » Builds on core CM knowledge



Practice-Based



Mass Timber Construction Management

Introduction and Overview

This paper provides an overview of best practices from the WoodWorks Mass Timber Construction Management Program, including key resources such as construction management education, installer training opportunities, the WoodWorks Innovation Network and the forthcoming Mass Timber Construction Manual.

- Construction Management Training
- Mass Timber Construction Manual
- Installer Training
- Find Your Team WoodWorks Innovation Network

Source: WoodWorks

commercial and multi-family wood buildings. The traditional WoodWorks audience has been primarily architects and structural engineers. However, during our work with these groups, we identified a gap, specific to mass timber, between design firms and the contractors who would ultimately build these projects. In short, contractors experienced with concrete and steel had virtually no experience with mass timber. This resulted in skewed pricing of mass timber to cover the unknowns, including risk and perceived liabilities. As a result, projects that could have been built in mass timber were constructed in other materials.

To address critical gaps in knowledge and skills among contractors and installers, WoodWorks created the Mass Timber Construction Management Program as a pilot in 2019,

Theory, Practice, and Hands-On



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Thank You!

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