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Eckman Construction completes 2 design/build renovation projects

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Eckman Construction completed two renovation projects, adding an elevator to an academic building at Saint Anselm College, and renovating the state of NH Graphic Services building in Concord. Both projects were delivered under design/build contracts, where Eckman provided coordination for all design and construction activities for the owners.

Gadbois Hall is the home of Saint Anselm College's nursing program. It has four floors, and was built in 1968. Eckman built an addition large enough for a passenger elevator on one end of the building, relocating the ground floor building entrance and seamlessly converting former windows on the upper floors into the elevator entrances. The brick exterior of the addition has an inset detail that mirrors the tall, narrow windows that flank it. Work inside the building also included the conversion of one restroom for handicap access. The project was accomplished during the summer, and complete before students returned to campus in August.

The State Graphic Services Building on the corner of Hills Ave. and Storrs St. suffered extensive damage from a broken water main. The owner mitigated the water damage, and selected Eckman to complete the restoration, upgrades, and a stairway addition. The historic character of the building was maintained, with its granite sills and large windows. It was originally constructed in the 19th century near Concord's large railroad station. It now contains offices, a large printing production area, and paper storage facilities.

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