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Wayne J. Griffin Electric completes two projects on UMass Lowell campus

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Wayne J. Griffin Electric, Inc. (Griffin Electric) has recently completed the electrical installation work for two projects at UMass Lowell: University Suites and the Health and Social Sciences Building.

University Suites is a 148,000 s/f residence hall offering suite-style housing for over 470 students. Included within the facility is a ground-level caf   and multipurpose room, with two kitchen / lounge areas, plus individual and group study rooms contained within each residential floor.

The Griffin Electric team was tasked with installing systems for power, lighting, fire alarm and telecommunications within the facility, in addition to security conduit and boxes, temporary power and civil improvements.

Owner's project manager, Joslin Lesser + Associates of Watertown, oversaw the construction under the direction of the UMass Building Authority. Construction manager, Walsh Brothers, Inc.; architect, ADD Inc; and electrical engineer, WSP Flack + Kurtz, saw the project to its completion.

The Health and Social Sciences Building, located on the UMass Lowell's South campus, is a 69,000 s/f academic facility containing general use classrooms, in addition to faculty offices, research and meeting space, simulation laboratories and a demonstration hospital wing for the university's School of Nursing, School of Criminology and Justice Studies and Department of Psychology.

Griffin's on-site electrical work included the installation of power and lighting, in addition to lighting controls. Systems for emergency distribution, lightning and fire alarm were also included in the electrical contract for the Griffin team.

Under the direction of the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM), the construction team included construction manager, Gilbane Building Company; architect, Cambridge Seven Associates, Inc.; and electrical engineer, ARUP.

The Health and Social Sciences Building is anticipating a USGBC LEED Silver designation.

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