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Gilbane Building Co. starts multipurpose academic building at Wentworth Institute of Technology

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Shown are the Gilbane Building project team with mayor Marty Walsh and Wentworth Institute of Technology president Zorica Pantic

Boston, MA Gilbane Building Co. joined mayor Martin Walsh, city officials, Leers Weinzapfel Associates Architects, Wentworth Institute of Technology president Zorica Panti?, trustees, alumni, students and faculty for the groundbreaking for a multipurpose academic building on Wentworth's campus. The Wentworth groundbreaking was held June 21 on the school's Huntington Ave. campus.

Gilbane is serving as construction manager for the development of the new, 75,000 s/f educational facility. As the first academic structure to be built on the campus in more than 45 years, the structure will feature a large-scale glass and aluminum curtainwall system with zinc panel, and will include classroom, gallery, lecture, and meeting spaces. The building will house several academic programs, including the new biological engineering program; biomedical and civil engineering programs; science and manufacturing laboratories; and teaching/learning spaces to promote a collaborative environment. Additionally, the facility will serve as the home for Wentworth's Innovation Center, which fosters collaboration among students and alumni, community members, and industry leaders. Take a virtual tour of the new facility courtesy of Leers Weinzapfel Associates Architects

In an effort to encourage hands-on learning opportunities throughout the project, the Gilbane team will be collaborating with Wentworth to develop new and innovative techniques to engage students in various capacities.

"The construction of this multi-purpose academic building is further evidence of Wentworth's focus on engineering innovation," said Michael McKelvy, president and CEO of Gilbane Building Company. "We are honored to be a part of this exciting period in the institution's history."

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