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## **Lee Kennedy Co. completes \$63m LEED certifiable building for Simmons College**

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Lee Kennedy Co. recently completed the \$63 million Simmons College School of Management and academic building - its 12th project on the campus of this college.

Lee Kennedy Co. utilized top-down sequencing and slurry wall construction to efficiently complete the project in an aggressive 20 months while working in the hub of the Simmons campus. This approach enabled separate building operations above grade and below to occur simultaneously, ultimately allowing the underground garage to operate while construction continued on the building above.

Designed by Boston-based Cannon Design, the School of Management and academic building is 38% more efficient than similarly sized buildings. The facility features a green roof to lower heating and cooling costs, roof vegetation to absorb and filter rainwater, enhanced indoor air quality, underground parking to maximize green space, and restroom facilities that reduce water consumption by 34%. The college is pursuing LEED Silver certification by the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program.

The five-story, 66,500 s/f facility houses offices, classrooms, study spaces and an executive education floor. The building also is the final piece of the newly-formed campus quad, which consolidates all five of the college's graduate schools onto one campus location at 300 The Fenway.

A new 715-car below-grade garage was also included in the scope of work.

About Lee Kennedy Co.: Celebrating over 30 years of building partnerships, Lee Kennedy Co. is a full-service contractor that provides general contracting, construction management, preconstruction, program management and design/ build services. The company's extensive portfolio includes work in a variety of industry sectors, including healthcare, academic, institutional, commercial, residential and hospitality.

About Simmons College: Simmons College is a nationally recognized private university located in the heart of Boston. It offers undergraduate education for women, and renowned coeducational graduate programs in health sciences, education, liberal arts, social work, library and information science, and communications management, as well as the nation's first MBA program designed specifically for women.

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