

I. Major capital projects underway in fiscal year 2010

Arts and Community Center

In September 2007, OCC broke ground on an addition to the Fine Arts Center, re-named the Arts and Community Center (ACC), an addition that was completed and dedicated in 2008. This new 16,000 square foot academic wing houses art and pottery labs, classrooms, instructional studios, and offices. It also has provided space for the Offices of Continuing and Professional Education and the Academy for Lifelong Learning, relocated from rented space off campus. The new wing is connected to the original Fine Arts Center through a common hallway, stairwell and a new elevator. The original part of the Center includes a theater, theater lobby, art gallery, green room, classrooms, music wing, piano laboratory, and offices. Extensive renovations to this existing space were completed in the summer of 2010, and include an enlarged and improved theater and renovations to existing classroom and office space. A third section, a little theater/performance center, was also completed in the summer of 2010.

New Academic Building

In July 2008, ground was broken for construction of a new Academic Building, which stands on the campus mall, between the Administration Building and Library. Construction was completed in July 2009. This 32,000 square foot addition, named John C. Bartlett Hall, houses 3 computer labs, 14 classrooms, faculty offices, and faculty and student lounges. It is both LEEDS certified and wireless. In addition, Bartlett Hall features gardens, walks, patios, walled terraces, and landscaping that complements the natural beauty of the campus. A new 140-car parking lot is situated to the immediate east of the new building.

Gateway Building and College Center

The college has two extensive building projects that are currently waiting for alternative capital funding resources. Plans for both are considered to be “on hold” at this time, but near future development is anticipated. The first, known as the Gateway Building, is a new academic building of approximately 70,000 square feet that the college is building to house both Ocean and Kean at Ocean students. In addition, the college plans a two-phase renovation to the College Center which includes building a large new wing and, once that can be occupied, renovating the existing structure.

Renewal and Renovation

In addition to a major renovation of the college Planetarium to house a new high-powered telescope (completed in the summer of 2010) and the addition of our own co-gen plant (anticipated completion: 2011), the College has also evaluated all 19 campus buildings to identify areas that require improvement. Campus buildings were surveyed to evaluate the existing conditions of major components, such as foundations, roofing, plumbing, HVAC, electrical systems, fire protection, and stairways, as well as ADA and building code compliance. More than \$8 million dollars of improvement projects were discovered and prioritized and have been incorporated into the Facilities Master Plan.