Leverage the power of design to inspire great learning and teaching environments

In today’s dynamic education environment, growing enrollment and improving outcomes are key objectives—many colleges and universities recognize that the quality of their facilities helps attain those goals by attracting and retaining students, faculty, and staff.

We work with higher education organizations worldwide, creating interior spaces that inspire, evolve and endure. We understand the complexities of planning for inevitable change on campus and the critical need for furniture and technology support that can adapt over time.

Our commitment to innovation and modern design has yielded a comprehensive furnishings portfolio that helps universities and colleges meet their strategic goals, ranging from growing enrollments and conveying the proper brand image to fostering interdisciplinary collaboration.

Simple and sustainable, our products are GREENGUARD Indoor Air Quality Certified for healthy interior environments, are BIFMA level® certified and can contribute to LEED® certification.

Facing, top row left to right: Residence hall dining space with Antenna® Workspaces table, MultiGeneration by Knoll® chairs and Risom chairs; Team meeting space with Suzanne lounge, Bertoia Diamond chairs, Power Cube and Maya Lin stones. Center row: Informal learning area with k.™ lounge, Antenna Workspaces table, Interpole™ with markerboard screens and Toboggan® pull-up table; Classroom with Propeller® tables and MultiGeneration by Knoll chairs. Bottom row: Faculty office with Template™, Generation by Knoll and Sprite chairs; Dormitory room with Antenna Workspaces desk and MultiGeneration by Knoll hybrid chairs.
Learning Spaces
Fostering Student and Faculty Engagement

To create effective and efficient learning environments, you need adaptable, durable furniture that can flex to the task at hand. From lecture halls to active learning classrooms, Knoll furniture contributes to dynamic spaces that enhance the academic experience.

Learning spaces should have flexible furnishings that allow the students to reconfigure spaces themselves easily and quickly for various styles of learning and interactions.

Clockwise, from left:
Classroom with Antenna® Simple tables with MultiGeneration by Knoll® chairs; Lecture hall with armless Generation by Knoll® chairs; Informal learning space with Toboggan® chairs and Scribe™ mobile marker-boards; Active learning classroom with Chadwick® chairs.
Student satisfaction with specific spaces is connected to whether they can manipulate furnishings to meet their needs.

Clockwise, from left: Active learning classroom with Chadwick chairs; Active learning classroom with MultiGeneration by Knoll® chairs; Flexible classroom with Propeller® tables, ReGeneration by Knoll® chairs and Scribe™ mobile markerboards; Lab with Propeller® height adjustable tables and Chadwick® high task stools; Training room with Propeller® tables with EWC™ Tech task chairs; Study room with Antenna media enclave and Generation by Knoll® chairs.
Community Spaces
Building Strong Ties on Campus

To create a thriving campus, common spaces need to speak to the university’s brand and enhance the student experience. Inspired community spaces quickly become the hub of student life on campus, bringing people together in both predictable and unexpected ways. Knoll designs can help create engaging common spaces that are durable, adaptable and enduring.

Successful higher education community spaces easily accommodate around-the-clock meeting, socializing and learning.

Clockwise, from left: Library/Knowledge Commons with Womb chairs, Antenna® Workspaces Big Tables, Generation by Knoll® chairs and Sapper™ monitor arms and lounge chairs with KnollTextiles Icon upholstery; Corridor space with Barcelona chairs; “Street space” with Jehs + Laub wire base lounge chairs and Power Cube; Focus space for heads down work with Antenna® Workspaces desks, tables and Generation by Knoll® chairs; Team meeting space with Antenna Workspaces Big Table, Generation by Knoll chairs and Sapper monitor arms.

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Well-lit spaces with access to natural light and views can positively impact students’ overall satisfaction with the educational experience.

Clockwise, from left: Community space with Pfister sofas, Bertoia bird and diamond chairs and Maya Lin stones; Dining hall with Antenna® Workspaces tables and Sprite stacking chairs; Outdoor space with Pensi tables and Toledo chairs; Dining space with Dividends Horizon® tables and MultiGeneration by Knoll® chairs; “Street space” with Interpole™ Hub with Taboggan® Perch, FeltFelt rug, D’Urso swivel chair and Saarinen side table.
Faculty and Administrative Spaces
Setting the Standard for a Powerful Workplace Tool

Universities and colleges demand a variety of enclosed and open plan solutions that support diverse individual work styles and provide opportunities for collaborative work. Our high-performance products are designed to support various work modes – individual, focused work; shared work, centering on the exchange of ideas; and team work that leverages the collective wisdom of the group.

The need to manage costs and use space efficiently is driving a reduction of faculty and staff workspace, but not at the expense of effective, functional—even inspirational—spaces.

Clockwise, from left: Faculty office with Tone™ height adjustable desk, Generation by Knoll chair and Cyclone side table; Dividends Horizon® private office with Template™ storage, Generation by Knoll® chair, Moment™ side chair and Sapper™ monitor arm; Flexible faculty office with Antenna® Workspaces, Generation by Knoll® and MultiGeneration by Knoll® chairs; Two-person research office with Dividends Horizon®, Template™ storage and Generation by Knoll® chairs and Faculty office with Reff Profiles™ desk, Generation by Knoll® chair and Saarinen Executive side chairs.
Knoll recognizes that fostering interdisciplinary collaboration is ever more important and providing the right balance between individual and group settings is key.

Facing, clockwise, from left: Open plan area with Template storage, height adjustable tables and Generation by Knoll® chairs; Community space with Architecture Associés lounge furniture, Risom seating, Interpole™ with markerboard screens and Power Cube; Open plan administrative area with Interpole™, Universal height adjustable tables, AutoStrada™ Fence, Anchor™ storage, Generation by Knoll® chairs and Supper® monitor arms; Dividends Horizon® administrative area with Generation by Knoll® chairs.

This page, clockwise, from right: Antenna® Workspaces meeting room with ReGeneration by Knoll® chairs and Scribe™ mobile markerboards; Reff Profiles™ team meeting space with and Life® chairs; Departmental open meeting space with Dividends Horizon® table and ReGeneration chairs; Administrative open plan area with Antenna® Simple tables, Generation by Knoll® chairs and k.™ Lounge stool.
A Campus-Wide Approach

Space matters. The planning, design, construction and maintenance of university and college facilities impacts attracting and retaining both students and faculty. Knoll offers a range of solutions across campus, from high visibility libraries and residence halls to hard-working laboratories and active learning classrooms. While there is a spectrum of needs within these spaces—from casual to formal, impromptu to planned, open to enclosed—research confirms the importance of distinct choices for each type of interactivity.