

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT



Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University: Hunt Library

New Library Storage Solution Embodies Embry-Riddle's Commitment to Modernity

CHALLENGE

When you're one of the country's premier engineering universities and you're building a brand new student union/library, how do you add library storage that makes a dual impact? How do you install exceptional storage in a way that is as stylistic and sleek as it is functional and expandable? Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University found itself in just such a situation – moving from a temporary location to a new, state-of-the-art building.

SOLUTION

Working with both university interior designers/planners and architects, Patterson Pope recommended Spacesaver's Eclipse Powered Mobile with recessed rail and Zero Force Sensor System with 33 carriages (five collapsible aisles) to hold the library's entire collection of some 75,771 volumes.

Additionally, Patterson Pope outfitted the library with A-Frame book display carts, a mixture of 4-post and cantilever shelving (main collection, reference, media) and acrylic card holders (on mobile) from Global. In the library's ultra-important – and highly trafficked – reference area, custom wood laminate end panels and tops were added for sterling visual appeal.

ACHIEVEMENT

Open since October 2018, the Hunt Library is part of the stunning Mori Hosseini Student Union. The visual appeal and functional performance of the newly installed high-density units and accompanying shelving helps to unify the library space while also delivering exceptional usage capabilities.

"We were able to maximize the space with what we had installed by Patterson Pope," said Melanie West, Embry-Riddle's associate director for access services. "And through doing that, we were able to maximize the rest of the space for collaborative learning, student meetings and those more interactive services of a library."

"It's evident from working with Patterson Pope that they will go above and beyond to ensure your satisfaction," added Marie Jones, the university's manager of interior design and planning. "They'll do anything they can do to make sure your project comes in on time, that it's done correctly and that it looks fantastic. They really do make a substantial effort to make sure that happens."



"Because of the new compact shelving, we were able to maximize the space we have for students. That just makes me happy every single day."

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