



University of Miami Donna E. Shalala Student Center

The Student Activities Center (SAC), in the process of obtaining LEED Silver certification, is a signature building located in the core of the Coral Gables campus. The contemporary structure, with three floors of public spaces, creates a landmark presence on the centrally located Lake Osceola without overshadowing the existing structures surrounding the picturesque body of water.

Arquitectonica collaborated with the student body, student organizations, faculty members and staff to realize a plan that provides an array of student life spaces for student groups, ballrooms, conference rooms, workspaces, along with a fully-equipped media center to support the school newspaper and yearbook. The firm designed the architecture, interiors and landscape for the 119,400 SF (11,090m²) project. The building's centralized amenities include convenience retail, dining services and a study lounge. At night, the illuminated building encourages students to stay on campus for movies, live music, along with planned cultural events. The multipurpose facility is designed with a variety of venues to host international dignitaries, conferences, entertainment events, alumni and donor functions.

Location: **Coral Gables, Florida**

Type: **Academic, Public / Government, Waterfront**

Services: **Master Planning, Architecture, Interiors, Landscape**

Size: **120,000 sf / 11,200 m²**
