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THE KELLER CENTER
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Explore Your School
Open Building Etiquette

ONE-ON-ONE CONVERSATIONS
- The open plan is meant to foster interaction and knowledge. That being said, be respectful of other people around you. There is a quiet study area and private team rooms that you can reserve.
- Remember that you can politely ask people to move their discussions elsewhere.

COMPUTER
- Keep the sound volume on your computer muted. Use headphones if listening to music or playing a file with sound.

TELEPHONES
- Lower ring tone volume on your phone and choose a ringer that is not disruptive to others. Consider putting your cell phone on vibrate.
- Don’t use speaker phone in open areas.
- Avoid walking through hallways talking on a cell phone for an extended period of time. Pacing in front of others while on the phone can be distracting.
- Be mindful of those working around you and keep your speaking voice volume in check.

FOOD AND EATING
- The student kitchen area in the Keller Center is in an open space near classrooms and other student spaces. Therefore, be aware that odors, noise and the mess of some foods can be bothersome to others. Avoid eating foods with smells that carry around large groups of people.
- Put food waste in the kitchen compost and think about recycling. (Recycling, trash, and compost notices will be placed above communal trash areas.)
- Take advantage of the multitude of seating spaces on the Lower Level and First Floor, e.g. cafe, forum, outside seating.
- No matter where you eat, be sure to clean up when you finish – don’t expect someone else to take care of it.
- Allergies: be aware that some people may have allergies to certain food products – if you have an allergy, make sure to keep those around you aware.

Team Rooms

TEAM ROOMS
- The six team rooms on the lower level are for students only.
- Team Room 0025 on the lower level is for Harris Student Organizations (HSOs) only.
- Schedule meetings in these team rooms using ASTRA. Below is how to schedule meetings on ASTRA.
- Students who have reserved rooms have priority and can ask others who occupy rooms without a formal booking to leave. Undergraduates cannot book team rooms.
- The forum, seating pods, lounges, and cafe can also be used for more casual meetings, conversations, and collaboration.
- If you bring food or drinks in be sure to clean up after yourself.
- Cancel unnecessary reservations promptly, so that others can use the room.
- Keep all accessories that belong to the team room in the room.
- Put chairs back where they belong after your meeting – leave the room better than the way you found it.
- Technology: All team rooms include a collaborative AV system with a microphone and wide angle lens and a screen to plug into.
1. Click the “Sign In” button on the upper right hand corner of the web-page.

2. Use your personal username and password to log into the portal.

4. Double click within the grid to create a meeting. The page shows the room number, the type of room it is, the capacity, and the availability. Use this information to choose the correct room.

4. Click on <Calendars> and then <Scheduling Grids> to see the meeting rooms and their availability.

5. Fill in the blank fields and click <Save and Send Notification>.
Classrooms

- Classrooms are located on the lower level, 1st and 2nd floors.
- Classrooms range from 40 to 80 person classrooms of a variety of styles. There are 3 different styles of the 80 person lecture classrooms.
  - Classic round, tiered classroom.
  - Progressive linear tiered classroom which helps for group and team collaboration.
  - Room with moveable chairs to allow for collaborative and team learning.
- Classrooms may also be used for for TA sessions and group meetings when classes are not in session. Student organizations should continue to use the event request form to request classroom space for events.
- Keep all accessories that belong to the classroom in the room.
- Put chairs back where they belong – leave the room better than the way you found it.
- We suggest you allow extra time your first day of class to find your classroom.

Lounges

- There are two lounges on the lower level for students.
- The lounge under the forum stairs is intended to be a quiet lounge. Keep your volume in check when using this lounge and be mindful of those working around you. Remember that you can politely ask people to move their discussions elsewhere.
- The other lounge can be used for team meetings and discussions, collaboration, studying and work. However, be aware of those around you and be respectful of others who may be using the space to work.
- Clean up after yourself and keep the spaces clean.
Accessing Academic and Student Affairs Staff

- Academic and Student Affairs staff, including the Career Development team, academic advisors, student affairs, and student life staff now work in open workspaces.
- The ASA suite has four offices that any ASA staff can use for private meetings with students. When students book appointments with advisors the system will ask them whether they want a private meeting space.
- If a private meeting space is not requested advisors might meet with students in other areas of the building like the forum, café, or other lounges. Private meetings will generally take place in the four meeting rooms within the ASA suite, but your advisor might also book a room elsewhere in the building if needed.
- Students are encouraged to make appointments to see their advisors whenever possible. However, we realize that there will be times when students need to drop in to see their advisor without an appointment. If a student drops in the advisor will work to find space to meet with the student or will talk with the student outside of the ASA suite. Because ASA staff are in open workspaces we cannot talk with students at our workspaces, as this would disrupt the work of others.
- Academic Advisors will each have weekly drop in hours outside of the ASA suite. The hours for each advisor will be shared via email and posted to the Harris Student Portal on the website in early January.
Find Your Classrooms
Support Space  Water Fountain  Printers  Accessibility Info
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2. PROVIDE GENERAL TRASH AND RECYCLING THROUGHOUT CIRCULATION SPACES. SEE FURNITURE SPREAD SHEET FOR QUANTITIES AND PRODUCTS. FINAL PLACEMENT LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY ARCH/OWNER AT THE TIME OF INSTALL.

3. CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE ALL ELECTRICAL & DATA HOOK UPS TO POWERED / FIXED FURNITURE WITH SUBCONTRACTORS. GC SCOPE TO INCLUDE CONDUIT, WIRING, AND FINAL CONNECTION TO FURNITURE VENDOR PROVIDED ELECTRICAL FIXTURES.

4. RECLAIMED COFFEE TABLES TO BE FULL RESTORED. COORDINATE PICKUP WITH OWNER (STORED AT HOGAN MOVER’S). RESTORATION TO INCLUDE REPAIR AND REFINISHING OF ALL SURFACES (WOOD AND MARBLE) AS NECESSARY TO RETURN TO ORIGINAL CONDITION.

5. SEE PLANS FOR REQUIRED SCRIBE LOCATIONS WHERE FURNITURE NEEDS TO BE COORDINATED WITH NEW CONSTRUCTION. FURNITURE VENDOR TO PROVIDE AND INSTALL ALL NECESSARY SCRIBES FOR COMPLETE AND UNIFORM INSTALLATION.

6. FURNITURE VENDOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FIELD VERIFYING ALL DIMENSIONS AND SPACES PRIOR TO ORDERING. NOTIFY ARCHITECT OF ANY DISCREPANCIES FROM THE DRAWINGS.

7. PROVIDE SHOP DRAWINGS OF ALL DESK BENCHING AREAS, INCLUDING INFORMATION ON CUSTOM DESKTOPS AND SUPPORT/FRAMES NEEDED TO COORDINATE WITH EXISTING COLUMNS (SEE PLANS FOR COLUMN COORDINATION LOCATIONS).
1. FURNITURE AND SIGNAGE TO BE LBC COMPLIANT. NO CHROME PLATING, PVC, VINYL. REFER TO FURNITURE SUSTAINABILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETE LIST OF RED LIST MATERIALS AND SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS.

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Building Tips
Security Information

Building Hours:
Faculty/Staff/PhD and Post Docs: 24/7
Students:
• Mon – Fri: 7AM – 12AM
• Sat – Sun: 9AM – 12AM

Building Access:
• Key access required for all exterior doors at all times. This includes the door at the roof terrace.
• The main north entrance and café’s northwest entrance will be unlocked from 7AM - 5PM with key access after 5PM.
• There will be a reception/ concierge at the north entrance. There is video surveillance throughout the building and security personnel will be present 24 hours per day.
• Lockers are available for students

Transportation Information

• The Keller Lot has 53 Parking Spots and 3 ADA parking spots
• Use the Parking Office to reserve spots at Keller and surrounding lots
• Requests for the Keller Lot can be submitted in December through the Parking Office
• Overflow parking will go to Chapin Lot, which will also be available for reservation through the Parking Office. You may contact them at parking@uchicago.edu
• The bus stop will be relocated the week of 12/10/2018 to the center of the main entrance of the Keller Center; TBD if a shelter will be installed

Bus stop will be relocated to this location on 12/10/18 for the following bus routes: 2, 171 & 172 as well as the UChicago Shuttle.

Bus location here will be removed and relocated to the Keller Center north entrance.
Technology

PRINTING
- There are 2 printers on the Lower Level, intended for students.
- Printing will utilize your UChicago card. HSIT will help install the new printer drivers and handle connection issues on the user end. The physical printers themselves & account management will be handled by Facilities.

WIFI AND PERSONAL CELL PHONES
- Wi-Fi Signals available throughout the building. There will be 30 - 40 Wireless Access Points on floors LL – 3rd Floor and 12 on the 4th Floor.
- Ethernet: those using DHCP require no changes, static IP addresses must be changed
- Phone/ cell coverage within the building will not be strengthened.
  - Recommended: cell phones if they are newer can change their settings for phone calls over Wi-Fi. The university has no control of cellular coverage

OTHER
- Classrooms: all classroom outfitted with dual laser projectors, lectern PCs, Blu-Ray DVD/CD players
- There are plenty of outlets throughout (workspaces, classrooms, lounges, café, lobby, forum, etc.)
- Audio and Video-conferencing: all team, conference, and interview rooms include a collaborative AV system with a microphone and wide angle lens. WebEx is the officially supported platform, although Slack can also be used informally for video/audio calls & screen sharing. (HSIT can advise on how to setup an account).
Amenity Spaces
Welcome Package
Harris Public Policy

Café and Vending Machines

Cafe Hours
Monday - Friday: 7:30am-5pm (regular hours)
Monday - Friday: 10am - 2pm (summer hours)

- The café is available to all students, faculty, and staff of the University of Chicago.
- The café will be catered by Bon Appetit. The food menu will be rotating and will have a focus on healthy foods and cater to different dietary restrictions and choices.
- Plenty of seating will be available including in the café and on the outside terrace. The spaces can be used for studying, collaborating, or socializing.
- Remember to clean up after yourself and throw away any trash, recycling, and compost in the appropriate containers.
- In addition to the café, there are three vending machines on the lower level, including one Farmer’s Fridge.

Sample Menu

Breakfast Items
Breakfast Toasts (all day)
- Avocado Toast - multigrain toast, avocado, cilantro, fresh cracked black pepper, pickled onion and watermelon radish (vegan)

Breakfast Sandwiches
- The Club: chicken sausage, egg, bacon, arugula on a ciabatta
- Grilled Portobello, Tofu, Herb Marinade, Tomato Confit on Whole Wheat (vegan)

Breakfast Wraps
- Ham, Egg, Mushroom, Tomato, Mozzarella on whole wheat tortilla

Miscellaneous Items
Snacks
- Fresh Fruit – Based on seasonality
- Chocolate Trail Mix
- Snack mixes, Commissary Special Blends
- Granola Bars: Made in house, 2 different kinds, one static and one rotational

Desserts
- Classic Layered Cakes by Slice (2 Flavors that rotate every 2 weeks)
- Pie by the slice (2 Flavors that rotate every 2 weeks)

Grab and Go Station
- Breakfast Items
- Sandwiches/Wraps
- Snacks & Protein Cups

Lunch Items
Hot Sandwiches
- Panini: Roast Beef, Caramelized onion, gorgonzola, horseradish cream
- American, Swiss, Aged Cheddar grilled cheese
- Vegan Kale Falafel, roasted eggplant, red cabbage, herb mix, spicy tahini sauce on a pita
- Special Sandwich of the Week: Reuben, Turkey Club, Roast Pork, Pickled Cucumber salad, BLT with garlic aioli
- Tuesday and Thursday Rotational Hot Entrees – served with side house salad

Salad Station
- Pick Your Own Salad - Greens, 5 Toppings (changes with seasonality), 1 dressing. Add a protein: Salmon (+$5.00), Grilled Chicken (+$2.50), Tofu (+$2.50), Falafel (+$2.50)
- Asian: Grilled tofu, shredded napa cabbage, julienne carrots, snow peas, and shredded radish with Thai ginger dressing
- Soba noodle salad: Soba Noodles, julienne carrots, snow peas, sesame seeds, Thai ginger dressing, grilled tofu, watercress
- Caesar salad: Spinach, Baby Kale with herb croutons, roasted cherry tomatoes with olive oil and fresh basil, shaved parmesan and Caesar dressing
- Buffalo chicken salad: buffalo chicken salad, quinoa, spinach, mixed greens, celery, carrots, cucumber, blue cheese, crispy onions
Kitchenette

- **There is NO Keller Center maid service**
  - Keep kitchen areas clean by cleaning up after yourself - do not leave dirty dishes in the sink.
  - When microwaving food, cover it to minimize odor and mess. Do not walk away from your food while it is being microwaved.
  - The lower level has three fridges and two microwaves for student use.
  - Rinse your dishes in the sink and clean the sink after yourself.
  - When storing food in the fridge, remove items that you don’t use within a week to free up space and reduce possibility of spoilage and contamination.
  - All fridges will be cleaned at 4pm every Friday.
  - Composting, recycling, and trash will be located in kitchenette and café areas so please use these amenities correctly to benefit sustainability.
  - Bring your own cups, plates, silverware, etc. and clean up after yourself.
Mother’s Rooms, Wellness Rooms and Prayer Room

- These are all enclosed spaces with lockable doors.
- They are intended for shorter usage and not schedulable.
- They are not intended to be individual or team meeting spaces.

MOTHER’S ROOMS (ROOMS 1016 AND 3062)
- These rooms are designed as privacy rooms for nursing mothers.
- They can be used for other personal health needs.

WELLNESS ROOMS (ROOMS 0033 AND 2060)
- These rooms are available for people who are not feeling well.
- Wellness rooms can become multi-gendered rooms for wellness needs, e.g. meditation, health related phone calls, etc.
- Be mindful of your time in the wellness rooms.

PRAYER ROOM (ROOM 0048)
- Make sure to take your belongings with you after using the room.
- The room will be opened via key card (everyone will have automatic card access).
- This is a space that is open for any and everyone (faculty, staff, and students); if someone needs complete privacy for their prayer/meditation, they can use the wellness rooms.
- The prayer room has been designed for prayer.

Coat Solution for Students

- There will be a coat rack in the student lounge for student use. Students with lockers should store their coats in their lockers.
Restrooms

- There are restrooms on every floor. Currently, restrooms are gender specific but they have a removable partition that will allow them to become gender neutral in the future when the building codes allow it. When this happens, there will be stalls on both sides of the sink with a shared hand washing station in the middle.
- The restroom stalls are full height stalls, allowing for the easy transition to gender neutral restrooms and providing complete privacy.

Lockers

- Lockers will be assigned to students by ASA through a lottery system.
Forum

- The forum is the central artery of the building. Below the atrium, it becomes a representation of where policy is learned, practiced, and implemented.
- In addition to the forum stairs, there are seating pods along the forum and atrium as well as lounge seating in the lobby for your use.
- Potential uses:
  - Team meetings and collaboration
  - Individual work
  - Socialization within departments and across departments, as well as with students, faculty, and staff
  - Eating and relaxing
  - This is the location where you can creatively use the space as it best suits you.
- Clean up after yourself in the forum, throwing away food and trash in the appropriate locations. Return seats and tables to their proper locations and make sure it looks cleaner than how you found it.
Harris Tech Bar

• Located in the lower level just east of the Forum, the Harris Tech Bar is open for walk-in tech support from 8:30am to 6pm during the weekdays.
• Students can visit the Tech Bar for help connecting to university resources (WiFi, VPN, Office365, UChicago G Suite), accessing Harris printers, or operating the Keller Center’s classroom/meeting room technology.
• The Tech Bar is also available for Harris Faculty and Staff to drop by for immediate technical support or consultation.
• The Tech Bar is located proximal to the Keller Center’s lower level classrooms to provide quick help with any classroom technology issues.
• Remember, you can also always reach Harris IT Support via email at hsit-servicedesk@uchicago.edu

Posters and Fliers

• Posters and Fliers can only be posted to designated cork boards above the student mail files in the lower level. Fliers are not allowed elsewhere in the building and can never be taped to walls or other surfaces.
Accessibility

- The University's Facilities Services Department has a document known as FS2 which serves as the guidelines that all consultants, architects, engineering and construction managers need to follow as they design and build edifices for UChicago. This document can be found via the following link; in this document there is a specific section for Accessibility requirements which can be found here.
  - These requirements go above and beyond the requirements of the ADA code.
- The UChicago ADRC committee was involved in the design phase of the project and ensured that Accessibility needs were accommodated in the design. This committee is spread headed by Glen Orazaki who also oversees the ADA+Guidelines of the FS2 document. This section requires an extra-large turning radius and rooms for a wheelchair leg support, which have been incorporated into the a few areas at Keller Center.
- In the state of Illinois the design team of any building is required to comply with the following ADA code guidelines. The design team followed the most stringent of these code guidelines listed below as well as met with the City of Chicago MOPD reviewer Chris Zafaris (who is very passionate about ADA compliance) to ensure that all code requirements of the highest standard was met:
  - ILLINOIS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, Accessibility Code Section 400 (Illinois Requirements)
  - Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines, ADAAG Manual (Federal Requirements)
  - ICC A1171-2009 ANSI Guidelines (Usually the most stringent)
  - Additionally, Farr Associates (Architect of Record) and design architect Gabriel Wilcox are advocates of Universal Design standards that meet the needs of all individuals and designs spaces to treat them all equally.

Below you will find just a few examples of Universally Designed elements that will be found in the building. This is not an exhaustive list:

1. All counters, kitchenettes, and reception desks are at a continuous or integrated ADA height so there is no you must stand here only section.
   a. Café bar steps down for ADA in a seamless design.
   b. The continuous low height reception desk.
2. All Sinks are ADA compliant and the same in the restrooms.
3. The forum extends at the bottom and top with wood so the ADA spaces have the same level of connectivity and amenities as the rest of the forum element.
4. The banquettes have a shortened table, so a wheel chair can roll into the opening and also feel enclosed and in the same type of space.
5. Ramps around the building are not ramps since the slope is so low, they actually classify as a sidewalk. They cost more to build but is an easier way to travel in a wheel chair up 5' in elevation.
6. All classrooms and team rooms exceed the minimum amount of ADA code required seats. If you are interested in learning more, join us for a special accessibility tour of the Keller Center which is being coordinated by Beth Karp, J.D. and M.P.P. Candidate Class of 2020 and can be reached at bethkarp@uchicago.edu.
GENERAL QUESTIONS
What is the building's address?
1307 E 60th Street
Chicago, IL 60637

What is the first day I will be able to enter the Keller Center?
Wednesday, December 26th 2018

What are the hours of operation of the building?
Building hours:
  Faculty, Staff, PhD, and Post Docs: 24/7
  Graduate Students:
    Monday - Friday: 7am - 12am
    Saturday - Sunday: 9am - 12am

Access:
  All doors will have key access at all times.
  The main north entrance and cafe’s northwest entrance will be unlocked from 7am - 5pm with key access after 5pm.
  Undergraduate students will only have access during this time.

Will all operations be moved to Keller Center before the winter quarter? What is the timeline, and when is the Grand Opening?
Yes! All faculty and staff offices, all classes, etc. will be moved to the Keller Center by the time we return from break. Faculty and staff will move in the week after fall quarter finals (December 17th). The students will be in the Keller Center on day one of winter quarter (January 7th). There will be a launch party to celebrate the opening of Keller Center and to invite the UChicago community, as well as supporters such as donors, alumni, etc. of Harris to come see our new home. This date was selected for a variety of reasons including but not limited to: coinciding with alumni weekend, enjoying the available outdoor spaces, and providing time for the Harris Team to plan a fantastic event.

What is the policy regarding the use of the showers and mothers rooms?
Mothers rooms and the prayer room are open to the entire Harris community (faculty, staff, and students). Showers are for staff and faculty only.

Will students have access to the roof terrace?
No, students will not have access to the roof terrace. It will always be locked via key card so only people with that access will have the ability to use the roof terrace (faculty and staff).

Will staff or other resources be available to answer questions and concerns of students post move?
ASA staff (CDO/ASA) will always have staff available in the ASA Wing during the transition. ASA staff will also actively walk the building to address questions, and host “walk-by” meetings with students in public spaces throughout the building. We would also recommend utilizing Team Harris, Harris Student Government, or other student groups for additional support.

Are the building materials low VOC/low formaldehyde? Have precautions been taken to address off-gassing and potential air quality issues that often accompany new buildings?
Yes, due to the strike requirements to get the LEED Platinum and Living Building Challenge Petal Certifications all materials had to be Zero or Low VOC. Thus, all materials were carefully selected for this building. Additionally, this certification process requires the passing of an air quality test. Therefore, an air flush will also take place. Thus, this building will have one of the cleanest and safest air qualities on campus.

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Can you control the temperature in each classroom?
The Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) System were designed based on the occupancy of the classroom. For example, a 42 person classroom was designed to heat and cool the space for the maximum number of people. Therefore, if a class has 10 people instead of 42, the room might feel cooler, and vice versa if there are more than 42 people in the classroom. The ambient temperatures in all the rooms and in the overall building will be regulated by the Building’s Automated System to ensure that the temperature is set and regulated at a universally acceptable comfort level.

Will there be enough seating in the classrooms? Will there be enough classrooms, particularly considering the expanded student body, potential added course offerings, and in sharing the space with some undergraduate classes?
Yes. There will be five 42 person classrooms and three 80 person classrooms. With regards to course offerings and undergrads, when making the class schedule for the Keller Center, graduate classes are scheduled first. Once those are scheduled, undergraduate classes are placed. Additionally, undergraduates will not be given access to the building after hours and on weekends. They will also not be able to reserve the team rooms or use the copiers.

How many people can fit in the study spaces/team rooms? Do you have to reserve these spaces?
Team rooms can seat six people. The room can accommodate a few more people if others are willing to stand. There is an open quiet study space on the Lower Level which students will not need to reserve. However, the current plan is for students to use Astra (Harris’s room reservation system) to reserve team rooms. However, once we move, Harris is open to feedback and making adjustments as needed.

Will bathrooms be gender neutral?
As of now, the bathrooms are gendered. Harris has been working with the Office of Civic Engagement, the City and the State with the goal of making the bathrooms gender neutral. Unfortunately, the city laws are behind the times, but Harris will keep working on this matter. The bathrooms are actually structured so that the divider between the Men’s and Women’s rooms can be removed if/when we get approval from the City and State to proceed forward with the gender neutral facilities.

If my advisor has an “open space” office, how can I speak to them about personal matters?
There are offices and meeting rooms within the ASA Suite that will be available and used for when you are making an appointment with your adviser.

There is mention in the slides about relaxation and exercise. Will there be areas for that? Will there be a gym?
There won’t be a gym, but there will be many more spaces for students to relax, including outdoor seating and the new and improved café.
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Will there be a large study space akin to the Booth library and will there be hours for policy students only?
There will be significant space for students to study, work, and relax – both publicly and privately, including the main lobby/Harris Foyer, which is an open floor plan. Additionally, there is a quiet study area intended for Harris students only, the Student Lounge on the Lower Level, and the team rooms that are reservable only by Harris students.

Where will the prayer/multi-faith room be located?
The prayer/multi-faith room will be located in Room 0048.

Where will the HSOs be located?
The HSO designated room will be located in the Lower Level of the building, southwest corner, specifically Room 0025.

Does the natural light extend to the Lower Level?
Yes. Once we move to the Keller Center, students in the lounge will no longer be cellar dwellers. There are sky lights that provide natural light for the Lower Level. Also the Forum provides a lot of natural light to the space that spreads throughout the building. The following link can be used to access the Town Hall Presentation and the Building’s Floor Plans:
Link for students: https://uchicago.box.com/s/btm6r2kk856o0oqv8nmij657iecyl7t0

CONCERNS REGARDING THE DEMOLITION OF A BUILDING LOCATED SOUTH OF THE KELLER CENTER
What is being done with the La Floresta building?
The University-owned building at 6035 S. Kimbark, which previously housed University faculty and staff only, will be demolished to develop new university facilities in Woodlawn. The University is committed to investing in Woodlawn and being a good neighbor as its presence in Woodlawn grows.

How many people are being displaced?
The building at 6035 S. Kimbark had 21 units occupied by University faculty and staff. When the decision to demolish the building was made, all tenants were given substantial time to find new housing, which was done in coordination with the University and the tenants. The tenants had relocated as of June 30, 2018. Incentives are made available to University faculty and staff who establish residence in the Woodlawn community.

I heard that this building originally housed workers for the Columbian Exposition. How can the University demolish a building with historical significance?
The building at 6035 S. Kimbark has no connection to the 1893 World’s Fair. In fact, it was not built until decades later (1910). The University is committed to preserving the history of Chicago and the South Side, evidenced by the rehabbing of the Edward Durell Stone masterpiece into the Keller Center, the new home of the Harris School of Public Policy, and Saieh Hall, which now houses the Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics. For more information about historical buildings on the South Side, please visit the UChicago Heritage Map.

What about the historic Hyde Park Day School?
Currently, the University has no plans to develop this site. At a community meeting on Oct. 15, 2018, the University announced a partnership with Study Hotels to construct a new hotel on 60th just east of the as-yet-unfinished Rubenstein Forum.
Sustainability Facts
The Design

The Keller Center revived and re-imagined a mid-century masterpiece by Edward Durell Stone. The building is prominently located on the Midway Plaisance at the University of Chicago’s South Campus. The building is an example of the New Formalism architectural style, developed from the International Style prevalent in the 1960s. It is characterized by classicism, strict symmetry, and decorative elements.

A sensitive transformation of the building will retain and celebrate Stone’s signature design—slender encircling columns, projecting perforated canopy, and limestone façade with decorative tracery. New passages erode the monumental plinth with terraced landscape to better connect with adjacent academic facilities and provide a fully accessible pedestrian experience. Glass insertions through the limestone façade at key entry points create a more visible welcoming entrance. Inside at the heart of the Keller Center is a sun-streaked 4-story atrium that was carved into the building to connect all levels and provide Harris with a venue for public policy and social impact.

Sustainability Initiatives

Inspired by the Harris School ethos of positive social change, the building design is filled with policy-inspired design firsts. The Keller Center is the first LEED Platinum building on the University of Chicago campus, and is among the first buildings in higher education to pursue the rigorous Petal Certification of the Living Building Challenge.
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Social Impact, Down to a Science.

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Indicates Policy Story

* LBC - Red List Materials

Locally Sourced Materials

Rainwater Cistern

Radiant Heating & Cooling

Natural Daylighting - Skylights

Circadian Rhythm Lighting

Bird Friendly Glass

Solar Panels (Photovoltaic Array)
On a clear day from the 4th floor, you can see the Hancock and Willis towers downtown. The 2 closer towers, Saieh Hall and pavilions for the 1893 Chicago’s Worlds Fair. The Turkish Pavilion located across from the Keller Center was one of the top 10 grossing attractions.

The zinc wall panels on the rooftop addition form a protective patina that self-heals and extends the product lifespan. The wall energy to power about 15 average homes each year.

The rooftop addition utilizes structural carbon fiber reinforcement on the underside of the concrete roof deck to support the added weight of the new spaces.

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1. Building Reception
Building Program

Student Lounge
Midway Lounge
Student Lounge
Harris Family Foundation Forum

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12/20/2016

1.00

Second Floor - Pearson Institute Suite

3/64" = 1'-0"

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Third Floor - Atrium & Skycourts

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• There are 72 exterior columns around the perimeter of the building and 296 perforated openings in the exterior canopy.

• The rainwater cistern in the basement diverts 525,208 gallons of water per year from the sewer. That is enough volume to fill all 4 levels of the center atrium.

• Observe the Rain Garden from the 3rd floor Midway Lounge during a heavy rainfall. When the rainwater cistern in the basement is full, it will overflow all of the roof water through the rain garden.

• The toilet stall doors are from the original building’s hotel suite bathroom doors.

• The rooftop addition utilizes structural carbon fiber reinforcement on the underside of the concrete roof deck to support the added weight of the new spaces.

• The midway Plaisance Park to the north held amusements and pavilions for the 1893 Chicago’s Worlds Fair. The Turkish Pavilion located across from the Keller Center was one of the top 10 grossing attractions.

• A rooftop photovoltaic system (solar energy system) consisting of 354 panels produces 150 kWh annually. This is enough energy to power about 15 average homes each year.

• The zinc wall panels on the rooftop addition for a protective patina that self heals and extends the product lifespan. The wall system can last 100 years.

• On a clear day from the 4th floor, you can see the Hancock and Willis towers downtown. The 2 closer towers, Saieh Hall and Rockefeller Chapel are examples of Gothic architecture prevalent on the University’s campus.

• The blackboards along the wall of the café seating is composed of recycled blackboards from Chicago public schools. The pendants above the seating were also recycled from the previous building.