

PROJECT BRIEF



Project Name: Washburn University ARPA Funds

Grant Program: Legislative

Project Date: April 2023 - June 2025

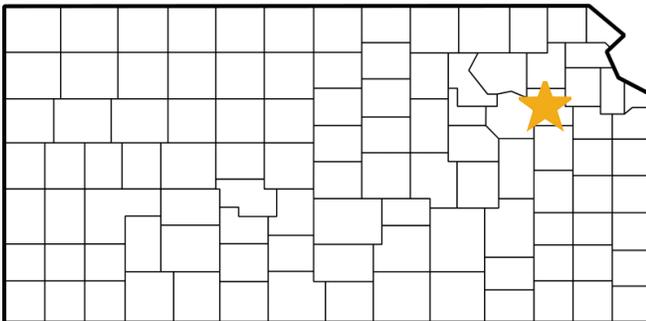
Project Summary

This legislative award supported conversion of the existing Mabee Library into the Center for Integrated Health Studies. The library building was renovated to accommodate teaching and learning environments, laboratories, and office space for the allied health programs, and preparations for future improvements integrating nursing and other healthcare programs.

Washburn University's health care programs have historically been housed at various locations across campus. Washburn University is creating a space where students will learn together in an environment resembling an interprofessional workplace.

Location

Topeka, Kansas



Grantee Information

Washburn is a publicly funded, independently governed and municipal university in Topeka, Kansas.

Goals and Objectives

Goal: Create the region's premier student learning environment and implement the new campus vision.

Objective: Convert Mabee Library into the Center for Integrated Health Studies.

Budget Overview

- Legislative Award: \$3,000,000.00

Expense categories

- Construction: \$2,911,286.11
- Furnishings, fixtures and equipment: \$88,713.89

Target Population

The target population for this grant are Washburn students enrolled in healthcare programs as well as local and regional healthcare employers. Nearly one third of Washburn's student population is enrolled in health professions and related degree programs.

Sustainability

The Center for Integrated Health Studies will be sustained by leveraging existing budgets, reserves and capital outlays. The project consolidates existing healthcare programs into one program and will not pose additional ongoing costs outside current budget capacity.

Outcomes

The renovated and refurbished classroom, laboratory, and office space in the Center for Integrated Health Studies opened for student and faculty use in May 2025.

Activities and Timeline

Q2 2023 - Q4 2024: Design and engineering.

Q4 2024 - Q1 2025: Construction.

Q2 2025: Relocating equipment.

Q2 2025: Furnishings and equipment.

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