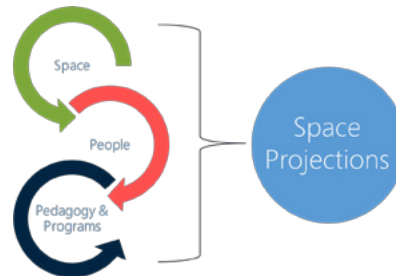


University of Missouri - St. Louis

Master Plan

St. Louis, Missouri



Project Information

Completion Date
October 2021

Services Provided
Instructional Space Utilization Analysis
Master Plan/Optimization

Rickes Associates was engaged to analyze instructional space utilization and develop space needs projections for the University of Missouri - St. Louis.

A member of the University of Missouri system, the University of Missouri - St. Louis is a comprehensive university primarily serving the needs of the St. Louis metropolitan region. The University currently enrolls over 14,000 students, including just under 10,000 in-person students at its campus in suburban St. Louis. Its online offerings have grown significantly in recent years, while in-person enrollment has declined.

As part of an integrated project team, Rickes Associates was engaged by the University of Missouri - St. Louis to analyze instructional space utilization and develop space needs projections in support of the creation of a new Campus Master Plan. Review of enrollment, personnel, space inventory, and course scheduling data provided a broad base for the identification of space needs in tandem with current and future in-person populations.

Given an enduring shift toward online degree offerings, the University will require significantly less space in the future than it currently has. Compared to a current total of over 1.7M assignable square feet (ASF), there is a calculated need for just under 1.3M ASF, suggesting the potential to reuse, reconfigure, and/or strategically reduce the University's physical footprint. This permits the University to focus limited capital funds on prioritized campus facilities.