Facilities & Services



Card Access



The Card Access team works on several different access control systems—primarily using the campus i-card as the de facto key—making it easier to determine who is allowed to enter a secured area and when they can access the space.



The Advantages of Card Access

- One i-card can access any space on campus with electronic access control.
- Software-based control means facility managers do not have to handle keys.
- Audits can be regularly run to ensure only a current list of people have access.
- No rekeying is necessary if an i-card is lost; only the person who lost their card must get a replacement.
- Records are automatically maintained, including when a door is accessed and by whom.
- Alarms can be generated if doors are propped open or if an unauthorized person tries to enter.
- Authority to manage access can be distributed, so units can manage the doors they are responsible for through a web interface, without losing the benefits of a shared central database.
- Customizable programming can enable additional functions, depending on unit needs.



Card Access Expansion

- Each year, F&S adds access control to additional buildings. Currently, more than 100 buildings have card access in place.
- New technologies, including retinal, fingerprint, and temperature scanning are being combined with traditional card access systems to create multifactor biometric authorization workflows for departments that need heightened security.
- The Card Access team tests and deploys new hardware, prepares for future card enhancements, and stays on the vanguard of access control technology.



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