

Toward Sustainable, Inclusive & Inspiring
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Facilities & Services

SERVING CAMPUS



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Summer is a key opportunity for crews to work on buildings, streets, and green spaces — inside this AVCED publication, you'll see a small portion of the Summer Construction list.

Included are various street improvement projects and accessibility improvements for sidewalks, which is a very important component of our lovely walkable university. Other renovations are underway for research laboratories and museums, while a handful of improvements are taking place at Memorial Stadium ahead of its 100th anniversary this fall.

I would like to recognize the work done by our Facilities & Services project leaders, who keep major projects going toward completion on-time, on-budget, to a satisfied customer. Leading a major construction

project, ranging from \$250,000 to over \$100 million, requires commitment, attention to detail, and the ability to communicate and collaborate with several stakeholders. The finished product being available to building occupants including students, faculty, and staff is essential to support the mission of this great global university.

Sincerely,

Morgan B. White

UIPD, K9 HUFF TOUR FOR BUILDING SAFETY

F&S recently worked with University of Illinois Police Department (UIPD) to review and enhance safety planning and responsiveness at Physical Plant Service Building (PPSB). There, Detective Tara Hurless gave a presentation to F&S management about personal safety during an emergency in the workplace, including tips in the case of an active threat. Along with Det. Hurless came her partner Huff, a K9 therapy dog.

Every building on campus has its own Building Emergency Action Plan (BEAP), and the three ways to respond to an emergency in almost every case: run, hide, or fight.

BEAPs also include contact information for organizational leaders, roles and responsibilities, lists of important phone numbers, and maps of building layouts showing rooms, offices, hallways, safety sanctuaries, and exits.

Jeremy Neighbors, F&S director of Safety & Compliance, said he wants to make sure F&S personnel know where to go and what to do.

As Hurless and Huff walked the PPSB halls with Kelly Jo Hoffmann, associate director of Engineering Services, they noted the layout of the building. PPSB has lots of exits, many of which come directly out of a shop.

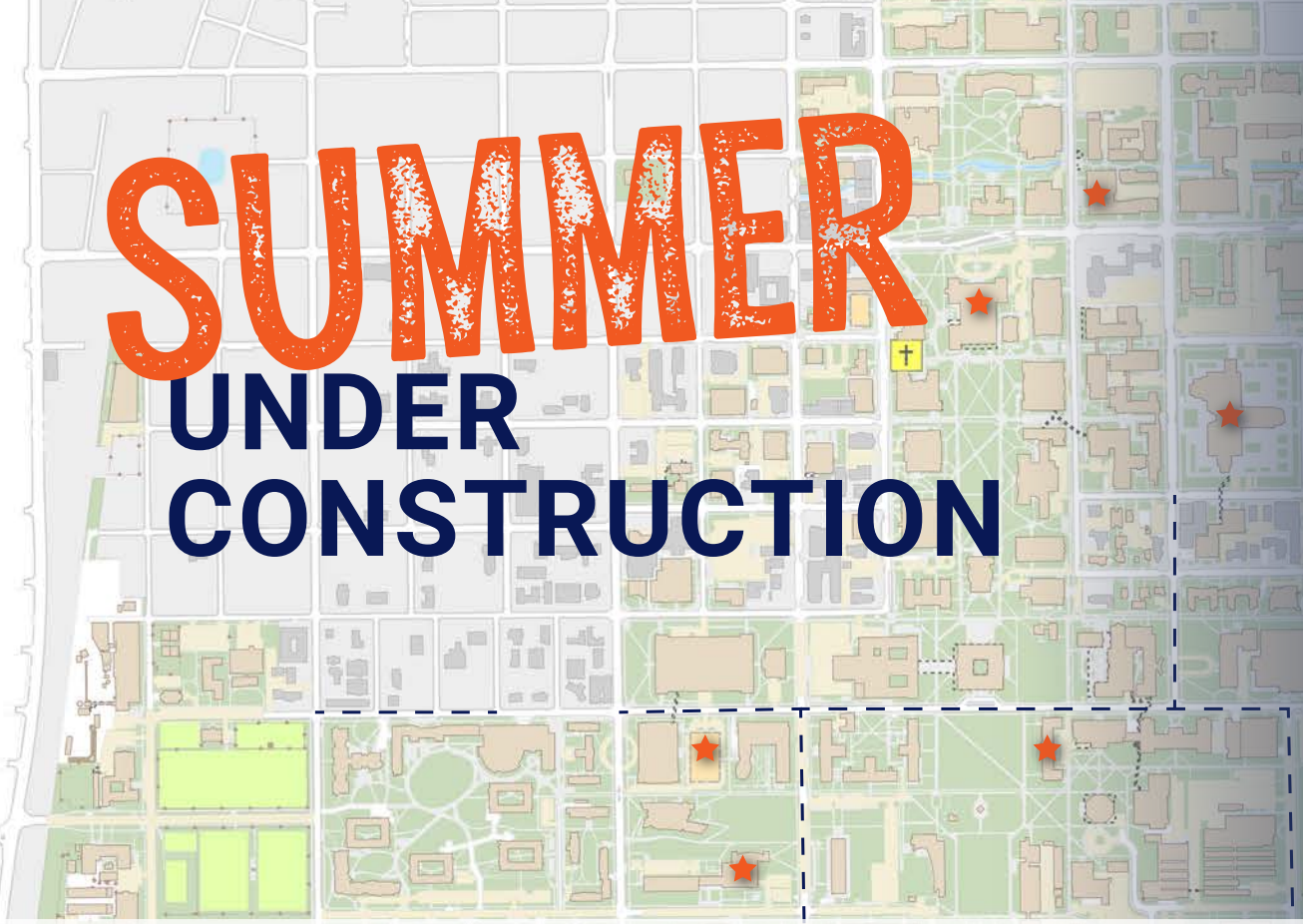
Said Neighbors, "We really appreciate the work and partnership we have with UIPD, and this topic and Detective Hurless' visit illustrates further how we want to make every F&S employee aware of what actions to take during an emergency. To that end, each division will be reaching out to the UIPD community outreach team to complete this very important training for all F&S employees."

In June, Sherry Wooten, assistant director for emergency management with Public Safety, met with F&S building service workers (BSWs) three times, including late at night to visit with second and third-shift workers. Multiple visits were necessary to reach as many as possible with the largest division in F&S, by number of employees.

"BSWs are our eyes and ears on campus, and their safety is paramount to their experience on campus, and a happy and healthy team," said Macie Sinn, building services office manager.



SUMMER UNDER CONSTRUCTION



Construction work is at its busiest on campus during the summer months. While many students have graduated or gone home, F&S does it all: classroom and laboratory modernizations, accessibility improvements, life-safety upgrades, roof replacements, infrastructure renewal, and enhancements to building mechanical systems in support of energy conservation efforts.

Wymer Hall

Allerton Park

New Multipurpose Facility

Memorial Stadium

South Restroom and Concourse Renovations / Exterior Stone and Masonry Cleaning / First Floor East Joint Expansion Replacement and East Ramp Painting / HVAC Replacement at FICE and NE Tower Roof Replacement

Wohlers Hall

Masonry reconstruction

Krannert Art Museum

Kinkead Pavilion Renovation

Illini Union

Roof Replacement

Noyes Laboratory

Rooms 219 & 250 Renovation

Krannert Center for the Performing Arts (KCPA)

Accessibility and Elevator Upgrades/Roof Replacement

Beckman Institute

Café Renovation

On the Streets:

Six comprehensive street improvement projects hit the Urbana campus. Enhancements include repaving surfaces, replacing curbs and gutters, re-stripping traffic markings, and more.



Check out the full summer construction list here.

or Go To:

go.fs.illinois.edu/SummerConstruction24

Check out street improvements here.



Memorial Stadium



Sidewalks and Roads



Krannert Center for the Performing Arts



Wymer Hall



Beckman Institute



DIVERSE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

F&S summers are an essential period of professional development for student employees.

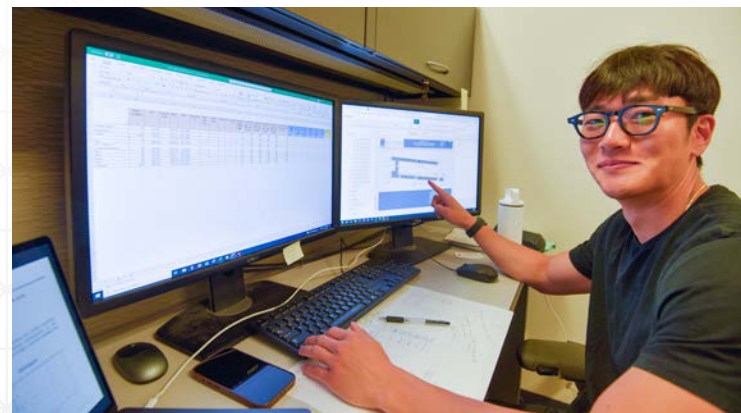
The Diverse Internship Program (DIP) brings undergraduates and graduate students from underrepresented backgrounds to F&S. Spanning nearly every division of F&S, time is spent collaborating with experts in different lines of work, gaining experience while also helping with ongoing projects. Interviews come quickly, as the semester is ending, and 25 students were selected by the end of May.

F&S encourages diversity in its workforce, and in the employee experience. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee meets consistently, develops planning and programming, and routinely assesses the work culture and practices.

Students working this summer have spent time reviewing building maps and mechanical systems, checking wastewater and groundwater piping, reading braille (in INSIDER magazineww), doing computer-aided design in HVAC systems, and learning about hiring, training, and professional development.

“F&S is a tremendous place to work, and a great gateway to learn about the university as a whole,” said Syed Arshad, human resources associate, who facilitates and oversees the DIP. **“Our supervisors are thrilled to welcome new faces and voices to F&S — by teaching the next generation of the workforce.”**

Check out the INSIDER magazine article "Learning and Labor."



A BICYCLE BUILT FOR TWO: THE VEO APOLLO

When you're traversing the campus, go ahead and bring a friend!

The newest ride-sharing option on campus, the Veo Apollo, is a rentable battery-powered bicycle capable of holding the driver and a second passenger. Veo delivered 50 of them to highly-trafficked locations. Each e-bike buzzes up to 15 miles per hour in main thoroughfares, 8 miles per hour in reduced-speed zones, and are pedal-powered only in restricted areas. There are sizable wheels, a headlight and brake light, a side kickstand, and cell phone holder.

Prior to delivery, Veo representatives presented to campus leaders: how it is powered on and off, use trends currently on campus, numbers of rides taken, including through the Veo subscription service, and pain points of ride sharing and all other campus transportation methods, specifically in common ways riders misuse and incorrectly park them. Veo made changes to current geo-fence bike lanes and other routes commonly taken by riders — Veo published changes right then and there, making pedestrians safer.

Sustainable transportation assistant Sarthak Prasad and representatives from University Housing and the Division of Public Safety then reviewed the new vehicle to learn about its capabilities. F&S student worker Myra Stevens and Police Captain Barbara Robbins took a breezy joyride around Lot E14 — ease of operation perhaps most characterized by the arrow and word 'GO' right above the bright blue throttle button.

“The Veo Apollo is a fun and efficient ride-sharing option, and we encourage students, faculty, and staff to ride safely,” said Prasad. “Active transportation like walking, biking, and taking mass transit all beautify the campus and help lessen our carbon footprint.”

Extra long seat for 2 people plus storage for class materials, groceries, etc.

Extra secure hand-hold for second passenger.

Throttle assist motor to help with more hauling weight or getting up hills.



Intelligent display system: Battery level, speed, riding zone and signalling.

Integrated phone holder and bluetooth speaker.

Simulated electric engine noise for pedestrians or the visually impaired.



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