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# JOHN J. HEMMINGSON CENTER FACT SHEET

Not since College Hall was completed in 1898 has a new building offered so much promise to transform Gonzaga's educational experience. John J. Hemmingson Center, built with a commitment to sustainable building practices, embodies Gonzaga's position as one of the world's great Jesuit, liberal arts universities. The 167,726-square-foot Center is being built on the site of the nearly 60-year-old COG and its adjacent parking lot.

Hemmingson Center is envisioned as an environment where students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members can interact, collaborate, foster new connections throughout the world and learn in a manner never before possible at Gonzaga. This Center will also support essential activities native to a residential campus, providing multiple dining options, flexible meeting space and robust multipurpose space. Together with proposed changes to Foley Center and Crosby Student Center, Hemmingson Center will redefine the core of Gonzaga's campus to focus on student services, collaboration and knowledge acquisition.

## A HOME FOR...

- Student clubs and organizations
- Gonzaga Student Body Association
- Dining Services, theme restaurants, café/pub, retail space
- University Ministry
- Center for Community Action and Service Learning
- Center for Experiential Leadership
- Center for Global Engagement and global initiatives work space for international students
- Unity Multicultural Education Center
- 800-plus seat multipurpose and gathering space
- Study lounges, media and active lounge areas, and movable work spaces

## THE FACTS...

- Location: Former COG and adjacent parking lot, DeSmet Avenue at Dakota Street
- Size: 167, 726 square-feet including lower level and 3 floors
- Cost: \$60 million
- Architects: Led by Opsi Architecture of Portland, Oregon with Bernardo-Wills Architects of Spokane
- General Contractor: Hoffman Construction of Portland, Oregon
- Sustainable design: Seeking LEED Gold Certification
- Jobs: Approx. 1,500 construction jobs

## KEY MILESTONES...

- **Vision for John J. Hemmingson Center**
  - » Shared on January 24, 2013, the University's first National Gonzaga Day
- **Board of Trustees Approval**
  - » Approval to begin construction was given April 12, 2013
- **Transition COG Services to Boone Avenue Retail Center (BARC)**
  - » Bookstore moved into its permanent BARC home mid-May 2013
  - » Sodexo food services and dining operations served first meal June 17, 2013
  - » 650-slot parking garage opened July 2013
- **COG Demolition**
  - » Began June 26, 2013
- **Hemmingson Center Groundbreaking Ceremony**
  - » A symbolic "fire lighting" on July 11, 2013 at 6 p.m. marked the start of construction
- **Hemmingson Center Construction**
  - » Began in August 2013
- **Hemmingson Center Dedication and Opening**
  - » Scheduled for Fall 2015

## MAJOR GIFTS...

In 2013, Gonzaga University recognized a \$25 million transformational gift by University Trustee John J. Hemmingson, a gift that constituted the single largest gift in Gonzaga's history. With this support, Hemmingson, a Northwest entrepreneur, spearheaded the development of this historic facility.

Gonzaga University intends to fund this project through private gifts and fundraising efforts. The University has received very generous support from benefactors in order to initiate construction; Gonzaga will actively engage in securing additional support for the hallmark elements of Hemmingson Center through its proposed completion in October 2015. Please call or email Chris Bingley, AVP/COO University Advancement at 509-313-6251 or [bingley@gonzaga.edu](mailto:bingley@gonzaga.edu) to discuss opportunities for this project.