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The Seminary worked with architecture firm LGA Partners, LP; contractor PJ Dick Corporation; engineers Tower Engineering, Keystone Structural Solutions, and Red Swing Group; and Babich Acoustics to create this beautiful space with an atrium entrance and grand skylight welcoming a flood of natural light to both levels.

And now we need your vote to win the AIA Pittsburgh People's Choice Award for interior design. [Vote online!](#) Voting is open through Sept. 30, 2019.

This project addressed the full range of renovation needs to establish creative, new spaces that inspire people to engage with theological ideas and each other in community and collaboration; incorporate innovation that supports theological reflection, inquiry, and research; and preserve our collection purposefully. In the renovated building, there are several new features designed to meet these goals:

Three group-study rooms

An atrium and skylight for natural lighting

A 24/7 area for after-hours study

Updated HVAC and fire suppressant systems

The Peters Café with healthy food choices

A media room where students can record themselves delivering sermons

An updated elevator

A new reference room for quiet study

The Rossin Writing Lab

The updated, Truxall Classroom

The Fred Rogers Family Room (named after alumnus and beloved neighbor Fred Rogers '62) for students with children

Updated technology and wireless access

Open and closed study carrels

Garnet Integrative Learning Space

A more open floor plan with several study and lounge areas, including the Kelley—Orr Lounge and the Hansen Room



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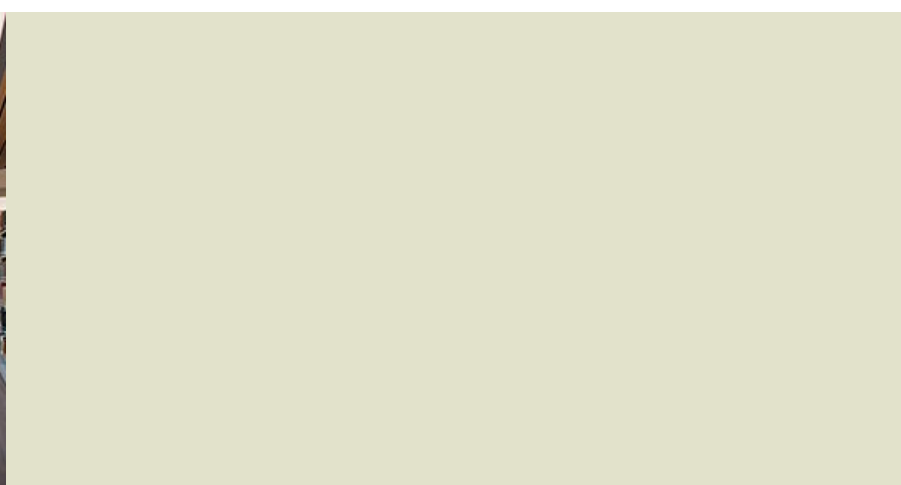
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