### **BROOKLYN COLLEGE, WEST QUAD**

Brooklyn, New York, USA



### RAFAEL VINOLY ARCHITECTS

#### FACTS + FIGURES

# Completion 2009

**Size** 13,170 gsm

#### Media Coverage

NY Construction News, "Achieving Efficiency: Brooklyn College Makes Better Use of Space," October 2007

#### Client

Dormitory Authority of the State of New York Consultants MEP Engineer WSP

Structural Engineer Ysrael A. Seinuk, P.C.

*Civil Engineer* Barrett, Bonacci & Van Weele, PC

Landscape Architect Thomas Balsley Associates



Rafael Viñoly Architects' design for Brooklyn College of the City University of New York restores the vision of the 1937 campus master plan. It recreates the West Quad which was formerly covered by the 1970s Plaza Building and Bedford Avenue Overpass—as a landscaped space, and provides offices for student services and athletic facilities in a new four-story, 19.8-meter-tall (65-foot-tall) brick building along the western edge of the restored quadrangle. With the demolition of the overpass, streetlevel pedestrian circulation is reestablished between the East and West Quads, resulting in a single campus mall. Rafael Viñoly describes the mall and restored West Quad as an outdoor "living room" for the campus, used throughout the year for studying and recreational activities.

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