

REACHING NEW HEIGHTS FOR CHANGEMAKERS

# A New Building for Creativity & Innovation



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Creativity & Innovation at CC strengthens students' capacities for creative problem-solving, resilience, and reflection. Through interdisciplinary collaborations, we help nurture future innovators who know how — and why — to make change.





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Collaboration, experimentation, and reflection fuel CC's approach to developing innovators and changemakers. To realize our bold vision, **we need flexible, unsiloed classrooms, where ideas collide and new thinking emerges, and inspiration becomes tangible** in fabrication shops, an experimental garden, a demonstration kitchen, and outdoor work yards.

Currently, the spaces and resources that allow students to learn through experimentation, prototyping, and revision are both limited and in high demand.

**Colorado College is raising \$15 million for a new building that will spark even greater possibilities.**

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**Space will be dedicated to:**

- convergence classrooms that bring disciplines together and foster collaboration
- areas for students, faculty, and Innovators-in-Residence to interact spontaneously
- rooms for reflection and mindfulness, and spaces ideally suited for creative processes
- a fabrication shop, digital shop, and teaching kitchen where students take ideas from concept to prototype
- areas where students may gather for informal conversations as well as for screenings and lectures

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# Making

This is where ideas and projects can be physically realized, both in and out of class. Many of these spaces are near the outdoors, to enable exterior workspaces and material handling.

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## Classrooms

Classrooms are adjacent so interdisciplinary groups can overlap and share ideas. Nearby collective spaces foster collaboration. The Innovation Hub is a casual space for gathering or breakout discussions after class.

The Presentation Hall has the flexibility to serve for lectures, as a convergence space for multiple classes, or to host a large class for an entire block.

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**Flexible spaces will allow us to expand interdisciplinary collaboration between blocks and blur the lines between disciplines.**





# Reflection

In an age of distraction, intentional reflection allows students to be alone with their thoughts and access their innate creative resources. Dedicated reflection spaces will be set aside for mindfulness practice and

retreat, and design elements that encourage reflection and mindfulness will be incorporated throughout the building.

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# Convergence Classrooms

These are teaching spaces of 1,000 square feet that can hold between 12 and 75 students. Faculty across all disciplines can bring their classes when they want to teach in a hands-on way or if they require large areas and infrastructure to teach creative practices.

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# The Creativity Classroom

is dedicated to supporting various classes throughout a block for a single session facilitated by Creativity & Innovation.

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## The Work Yard & Innovation Garden

Outdoor extensions of the building's maker spaces can be equipped for large-scale prototype assembly, project testing, and public events. This area includes outdoor storage and sun shading to enable three-season usability, visual screening from North Cascade Avenue, and access to electrical power and lighting.

The Garden is dedicated to botanical experimentation with climate-appropriate plants grown in collaboration with grounds staff and science faculty. It will foster shared teaching and learning experiences with the adjacent future science building.

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The building for Creativity & Innovation provides spaces where students experiment, take risks, cook, create, build prototypes, and solve problems.

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# Changemakers

We are at a cultural moment in which challenges abound socially, politically, and economically.

**Creativity & Innovation at CC empowers students with the creative confidence to become changemakers.**





## **Creativity & Innovation at Colorado College**

Now is our time to bring our transformational  
vision for Creativity & Innovation at CC to life —  
and we need you to join us.

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