



Wilson Architects-designed Griffith Business School now open for business

The \$38 million, state-of-the-art Griffith Business School is certain to enhance Griffith University's reputation as being one of the top educational institutions in south-east Queensland.

Brisbane-based practice Wilson Architects has consistently received high praise for its innovative design of learning spaces that are integrated with modern technology and meet the study patterns and teacher-interaction demands of today's students. In fulfilling its winning design competition brief, Wilson Architects have created a contemporary eye-catching learning centre that promises to seize the imagination of the next generation of business students and the local Gold Coast business community. The Griffith Business School signifies another milestone in the ongoing expansion of the Gold Coast's formidable education sector.

"Ideas will be exchanged, new collaborations established and a place created that fosters a sense of collegiate and industry partnership within the wider professional business community," says Wilson Architects director John Thong. "When you look at the materials themselves, the bulk of the construct is simply aluminium, glass and rendered masonry, which makes the building an economically sound outcome as well as very well detailed, functional structure."

Students have direct access from within the campus proper or via a more socially conducive lower level that has a cafe and seating. A formalised entrance is situated at Parklands Drive's street level – this impressive front-door address compliments the new developments happening on Parklands Drive and facilitates the presentation of Griffith University to a much broader community.

The Griffith Business School has technologically-rich seminar and public lecture spaces arranged in numerous configurations and a purpose-built public function and conference room can cater for up to 150 people. The School's 4500 business students will have access to world leading resources including an advanced financial trading centre environment. The Griffith Business School houses several business studies, accounting and marketing faculties as well as the School of Government and International Relations.