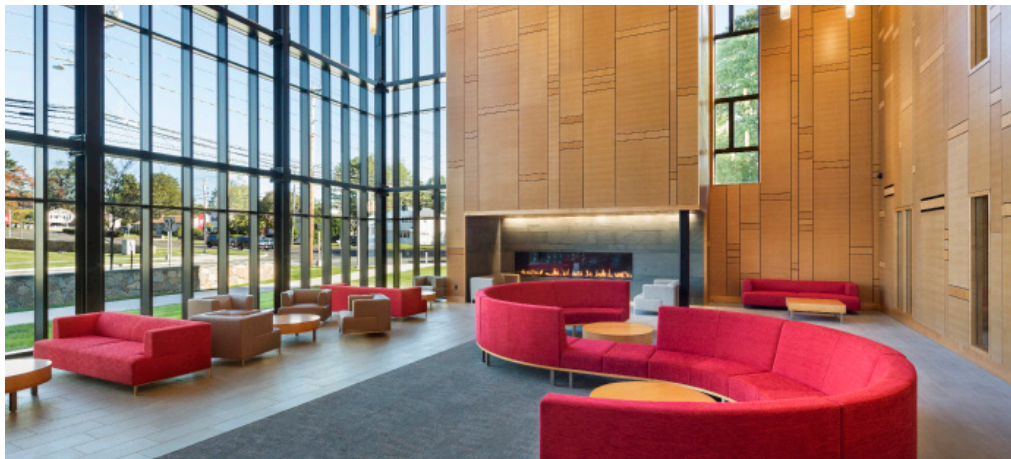


Sacred Heart University

Jorge Bergoglio Hall

Location	Fairfield, Connecticut	Size	87,000 square feet
Architect	Centerbrook Architects & Planners	Cost	\$28 million
Services	MEP/FP, IT, Technology Design	Completed	2016
Awards	<i>American School & University Magazine's 2017 Architectural Portfolio, Outstanding Designs: Residence Halls</i>		



Named after Pope Francis, this new, 87,000 square-foot, three-story dormitory building is located at the corner of Park Avenue and Jefferson Street. The residence hall accommodates 216 student beds, with 4-bedroom suites creating neighborhoods which share small lounges, kitchens, and other amenities.

The three-story entry lounge provides a warm welcome to guests, while creating a space where students can gather around a large 12-foot-wide, bluestone, gas fireplace. Wings spread out on both sides of the building from the main entrance to form a protected grass courtyard, offering students additional green space and outdoor lounge area. The end of each wing features a glass stair tower opening to the main campus.

The new residence hall features a fully-equipped fitness center, along with conference and multi-purpose rooms. The activities room provides a unique 5-foot-high by 18-foot-wide high-definition video wall for gaming, television, and presentations. Also within the project's scope were Information Technology, Security Systems and Audiovisual design.



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