

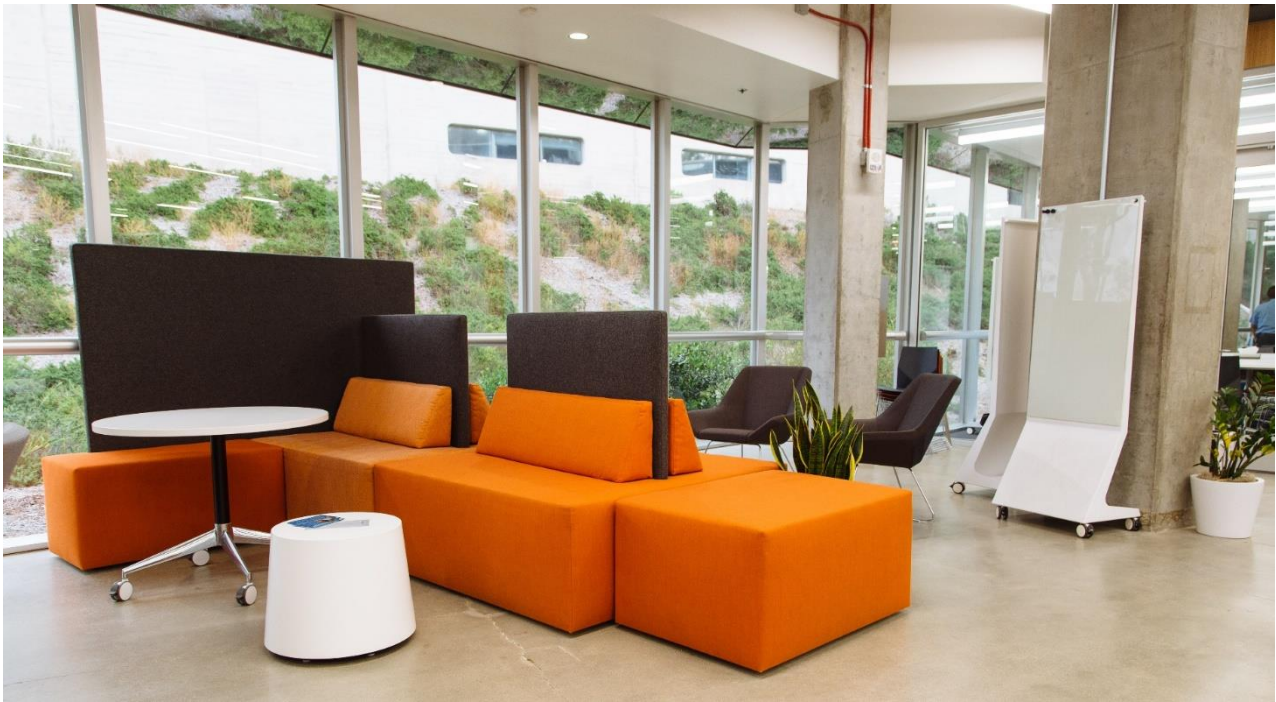
UC San Diego
Geisel Library – Teaching + Learning Commons

A CASE STUDY

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WHO

UC San Diego established the Teaching + Learning Commons to advance and improve how they teach and learn on campus. There is a suite of services and programs offered to develop better instructors and more engaged learners.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

bkm was selected to provide furniture for this project based on their relationship with UC San Diego. bkm was able to help Miller Hull create their vision as well as help the UC San Diego team achieve the wants and needs of their Teaching + Learning Commons.

UC San Diego wanted to achieve a space that included not only an open work space for their staff that could promote collaboration, but also accommodate the needs for a more collaborative interaction between students and instructors.

The Teaching + Learning Commons is one of the first projects that is part of the Geisel Revitalization Initiative, which aims at transforming the most heavily used interior public spaces in Geisel Library. This initiative is aimed at meeting the evolving needs of 21st century students and scholars.



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KEY BUSINESS ISSUES ADDRESSED

Attract, Develop, Engage

Provided multiple zones and areas for students. Peers can now choose how they want to learn.

Enhance Collaboration

The flexibility of the furniture allows students to choose the size of their study groups.

Improve Wellbeing

Having the ability to sit or stand gives the faculty the freedom to choose their preferred posture.



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SPECS

1st Floor of Geisel Library
21 employees
Workstations
Enclaves
Open Collaborative Spaces

SERVICES PROVIDED

Furnishings: 5 private meeting spaces that can accommodate 1-3 people, (3) clusters of benching stations to accommodate up to 16 people, Reception, classrooms and open collaborative areas for individuals and groups.

CREATIVE PARTNERS

Architect: Miller Hull

Furniture Vendors: Steelcase, Hightower, Nienkamper, First Office, Keilhauer and Studio One78

