

Bryan Center Entry

Scope of Work:

Renovation of the Bryan Center east entry

Program:

In an effort to make the entry to the Bryan Center from the plaza more prominent and more coherent with other recent and planned building projects in the precinct, a new taller glass entry element was being created at the Bryan Center's plaza entrance. The entry is more prominent both during the day and at night, and is constructed of materials in harmony with materials of the other buildings in the precinct, and will make entering and exiting the Bryan Center an easier and more meaningful experience.



Architecture & Engineering:

[James Carpenter Design Associates](#) design for the Bryan Center Entry draws on the planning work and the design principles established for the revitalized plaza precinct. The increased vertical scale of the new entry provides greater visibility to aid navigation on approaches to student center from the primary precinct circulation paths. The sidewalls of etched glass and diffused reflective metal of the new entry create atmospheric and dynamic reflections of the surrounding natural environment and help blur the threshold between the natural exterior landscape and the built interior environment. Color and motion of building users passing through the entry portals activate and animate the lower area of the sidewall screens while the ambient light of the sky is collected and displayed in the sidewall upper areas. Functionality informs the new entry design as well, with increased passage width and circulation space for better pedestrian flow. Artificial light is closely integrated into the structure of the glass entry volume to create a soft inviting beacon in the precinct at night.

<i>Gross Square Feet</i>	<i>250</i>
<i>Construction Start</i>	<i>March 2015</i>
<i>Occupancy Date</i>	<i>August 2015</i>
<i>LEED Goal</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Architect</i>	<i>James Carpenter Design Associates</i>

Sustainability:

This project will incorporate design and construction recommendations of the US Green Building Council but will not seek LEED certification.

