

PROJECT EXPERIENCE



Client Name: NUI Galway

Architect:

Simon J. Kelly & Architects

Quantity Surveyor: Davis Langdon, An AECOM Company

Duration:

July 2013 - November 2014

Contract Value: € 7m



National University of Ireland Galway Life Course Studies Building

Description

The Life Course Studies Building (LCSB) is located on the NUI Galway North campus, and is a new purpose built building designed to provide an integrated multidisciplinary solution to the capital needs of the social science programmes at NUI Galway covering older people, children and family and people with disabilities.

To this end, the new building brings together the following 3 existing research groups into a single building:

- The Child and Family Research Centre
- The Irish Centre for Social Gerontology
- The Centre for Disability Law and Policy

The building is approximately 3,600 m² in size and contains the following types of accommodation:

- Academic and administration offices
- Flat and tiered teaching spaces
- Post-graduate study rooms
- Observational suites
- Board and seminar rooms
- PC labs and all other associated ancillary and support spaces required.

The building is designed and constructed as Phase 1 of a larger building, so as to allow phased expansion of the building in the future. A particular feature of this building is the need to ensure that the needs of the various groupings of people using the facility (children, families, the aged, people with disabilities) are catered for. The building is designed in such a way to be as inviting and customer friendly as possible for users and members of the public who would not necessarily be familiar with Universities or such institutions.

