

# Michael F. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education

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Welcome to the Michael F. Sorrell Center for Health Science Education, one of the most advanced medical education buildings in the country and home to UNMC's College of Medicine.

The technologically sophisticated building -- features clinical skills laboratories that resemble hospital and exam rooms, large amphitheaters with theater-sized screens, flexible space that can be tailored to teaching needs and interactive study rooms, amidst dozens of private study spaces.

The goal for the building was to:

- Support the type of curriculum UNMC was offering, which included small group interactions of 10 to 15 students and a faculty member -- an approach adopted by UNMC in the early 1990s;
- Support growing trends to educate different types of health care professionals together; and
- Take advantage of sophisticated, state-of-the-art technology, but reflect the continued importance of face-to-face mentoring.



*Artist rendering of the student plaza*

Community philanthropists and UNMC alumni supported the vision and turned a \$52.7 million dream into reality. Nestled in a steep hillside, the Sorrell Center accents UNMC's strategic goal of organizing the Omaha campus into academic, clinical and research areas.

The 134,183-square-foot center anchors the academic section of the campus, which is defined by a concentration of educational buildings, the Student Life Center and student apartments to the east. The academic buildings will be connected by the new student plaza, as well as additional green space and pedestrian pathways.

The Sorrell Center is LEED certified (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

