Curtin University Midland Campus forms a key component of the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority’s Midland Master Plan that has transformed the historic Workshops Precinct into a medical and education hub. This striking facility features a diverse mix of immersive, technology rich spaces that will facilitate collaboration between Faculty of Health Sciences students and adjacent health services and community agencies.
Designed by Lyons Architecture, the Curtin University Midland Campus gracefully integrates a contemporary interpretation of the ‘distinctly Curtin’ built form seen at Curtin Perth into the heritage surrounds whilst also reflecting throughout its design an important connection with the Wadjuk Nyungar people. With strong support from the City of Swan, the State Government committed $22 million in funding and reserved land to support the establishment of the new Campus.

The facility will predominantly be used by fourth and fifth year Curtin Medicine students carrying out clinical placement in adjacent health facilities. It is also intended for use by students in Allied Health disciplines.

**LEVEL ONE**

Four flat-floor collaborative spaces accommodate a maximum of 30-60 people or two can combine via an operable central wall for up to 180 people. Equipped with audio visual and distributed learning capabilities, these rooms enable remote access to teaching and learning. Open booths provide the opportunity for flexible and informal collaboration. End-of-trip facilities offer bike storage, change rooms and lockers.

**LEVEL TWO**

Four simulation suites known as Flexible Interprofessional Learning Modules (F.I.L.M) are designed for replicating real-life healthcare scenarios for learning and training. Each suite includes a separate collaborative pod with a one-way glass wall for observation and assessment. Level two also includes a range of relaxed and informal learning areas, collaborative pods and a large balcony overlooking the historic Blacksmith Lane.

**LEVEL THREE**

Staff workspace includes work stations, quiet rooms and a large meeting room. Informal spaces for students provide an array of lounge, bench and cafe-style furniture as well as a kitchen and two balconies.

**CULTURAL CONNECTION**

Midland Campus’ design, artwork, landscape and signage reflect a strong connection to the Wadjuk Nyungar people. Cultural details include:

- ‘KYA WANDJU WANDJU’ welcoming visitors at the main entrance
- ‘NGOOK honey story’ by Justin Martin: story and public artwork created in collaboration with Milne & Stonehouse celebrating honey, a prized commodity. The collection of honey is a story of trial and teamwork, reflecting the collaborative spirit of the Faculty of Health Sciences.
- Bilingual signage in Nyungar and English throughout the building including wayfinding and labelled anatomy imagery
- Medicinal garden
- A dedicated ‘yarning’ circle
- Totems and stories from local Elders in Nyungar and English about native fauna

**SUSTAINABILITY**

The project has sought to achieve a 5 Star Design & As Built rating from the Green Building Council of Australia, demonstrating Australian Leadership in sustainable design and construction. Features include:

- 90% construction waste recycling
- 30kW photovoltaic system
- Water efficient fittings and fixtures
- Whole of life low emission materials
- End-of-trip facilities

**ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

Midland Campus’ design and materials have been carefully considered to reflect the look and feel of the historic Midland Workshops Precinct whilst demonstrating an unmistakable link to the brutalist architecture seen at Curtin’s Bentley campus. The building is comprised of complex structural forms including the use of cantilevers and intricate brickwork such as brise soleil.

Both striking and subtle details enhance this beautiful space such as an interior colour scheme based upon the area’s native plants, abstracted patterns of local fauna on interior ceilings and embedded tracks running beside the building that replicate the original railway lines.

The Campus has a people-centred design that seeks to enhance student experience, promote wellbeing and create a welcoming community environment.

**COLLABORATIVE LEARNING**

The Faculty of Health Sciences offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses including Medicine, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Psychology and Public Health.

State-of-the-art simulation suites and learning spaces will allow students across the Health Sciences to put theory into practice. This innovative and immersive form of learning reflects the Faculty’s focus on primary care and interprofessional collaboration.

For more information about the Faculty and its programs, please visit healthsciences.curtin.edu.au

Curtin University Midland Campus provides the opportunity for students and staff across all Faculties to utilise its diverse learning, teaching and work spaces and offers greater access to higher education in Perth’s Eastern region.