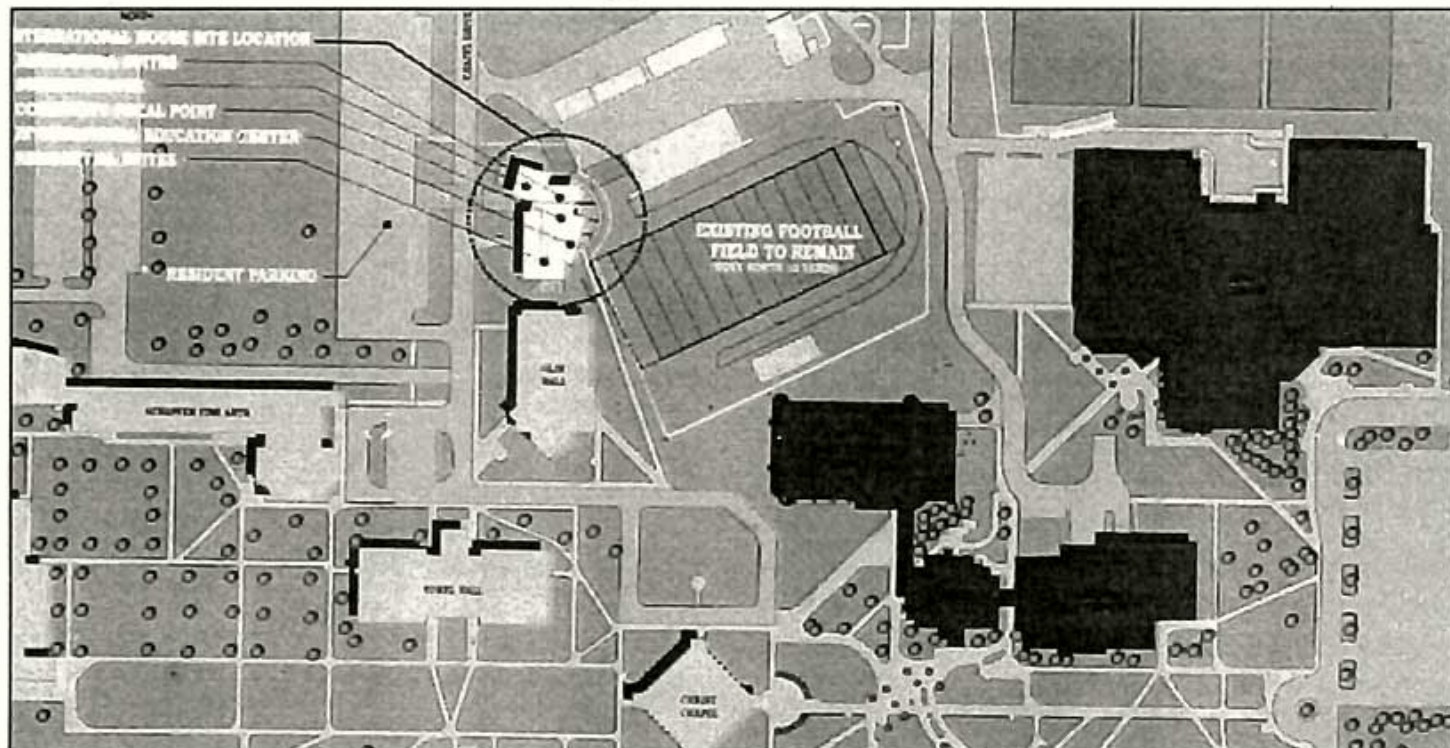


New building combines 3-in-1



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In order to accommodate the new 30,000 square foot residence hall the football field fence will be moved.

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who will live in the building next year, agrees that the international center will draw more attention to the Crossroads and international programs.

"The building will make Crossroads a lot more visible," she said. "It's permanent and that will make the program feel like more of a fixture."

"The dorm will give a more permanent feeling to Crossroads, a place where we can settle down and build traditions," said Sophomore Margaret Broz.

"We are consciously bringing together in one location three separate programs, each of which has an international aspect," said Toutain. "Our hope is that those programs will interact in a positive way in a single location and that some interesting new initiatives will immerse from this blurring of those boundaries."

"In terms of what the project might do for campus, I think it might call greater attention to

international education and an international perspective," he said.

Rizk-Finne feels that the setup lends itself to a wide range of collaborative programming. One example is that it will provide a central location where a guest speaker can stay as well as be available to meet with students.

"It's going to be an aggressive construction schedule"

Because the new building's plans place it inside the current football field's fence, the field will be moved 20 feet to the northwest so it will not be right up against the new building.

The funds for the building

have come from several sources, including insurance monies from Johnson Hall and the previous Swedish House (Svenska Huset) which were both damaged beyond repair in the tornado.

"It's also the case that the college expects to raise some money from donors," Toutain said.

The 30,000 square-foot red brick building is scheduled to open in the fall. "It's going to have to be an aggressive construction schedule," Toutain said.

The students who will live in Crossroads next year completed a room selection process last week, and room was left for next year's first year students interested in the program.

Prairie View Hall, which has housed Crossroads the last two years, will serve as a traditional residential hall next year, housing students under the standard housing option.

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junior years, and I applied my sophomore year but couldn't get in because there weren't enough spots," said Torgerson.

Sophomore Kerri Bouska who went on the Columbus, Ga., trip last year said that she thought the trips were important in many ways. "I think that they provide an opportunity for students to help others in need, while being able to travel inexpensively at the same time," she said.

The evenings are open for the students. "After the work is done for the day, the group chooses what they want to do. They can go out to eat or hang around where they are staying, or go to a movie," explains Fisk. On their way to and from work sites, students often stop and visit other towns as well, which gives them time to relax.

"I think that students appreciate the fact that the house that they build is a lasting contribution to the community. And besides, it's a great way to meet and really get to know people you might not run into on campus," said Sophomore, Lisa Senne, who went to Jackson, Miss. last year on a work trip, and is leading one this year to York, Pa.

"We were able to work along side the future owner of the house. She was a single mother of four and she woke up at 6 a.m. to get the kids to school, then worked on the house and then went to her job," said Senne. "She seemed so grateful for our help."

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