

Creating the Environmental University





The Dudley H. Davis student center on the campus of the University of Vermont is a beacon of environmental consciousness. The elevators are lubed with vegetable oil. The wood is certified non-old-growth. The design is energy-efficient. The fountains are labeled "water bottle refill stations."
 -Forbes Magazine, 2009



The building takes a challenging hillside site and turns it into a grand gesture that is practical, fun, and sustainable — and bound to be a welcome change for students who had been using an 1885 library as their student center.

-The Chronicle of Higher Education, 2007

a sprawling, four-story monolith of brick and steel built alongside Main Street on the hill that functions as the gateway to the city, it was met with considerable unease...residents have called the structure an eyesore, a blight, a blunder, and "an architect's ego gone wild" in letters to the local newspaper.

-Boston Globe, 2007





“Modern man is defined by progress. His self-esteem is rooted in it and it is his deepest justification for the ruthlessness he displays towards his fellow men and nature.” - José María Sbert

Comments

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I ♥
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So Critical... without Alternative

If we need the DC
then it was done right and
if we don't need it it is wasteful consumption.
Personally I use the DC and I think it makes
UVM more competitive, but still I recognise room
for improvement.

♥ young liberals!!

