

West Memorial Building Rehabilitation



LOCATION

Ottawa, Ontario

CLIENT

Public Service and Procurement Canada
Government of Canada

SIZE

360,000 SF

PROJECT TEAM

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The West Memorial Building Project is a major rehabilitation of a Classified Federal Heritage Building located in the downtown core of Ottawa. While the long-term use of the building will be for Government of Canada offices, the short-term fit-up is for the Supreme Court of Canada and Court Administration Services. The rehabilitation includes a complete masonry restoration, structural and seismic upgrades throughout, new base building systems and tenant fit-up.

As a major federal project part of the Long-Term Vision Plan (LTVP) for the Parliamentary and Judicial precincts in Ottawa, the West Memorial Building design has undergone numerous approvals including the National Capital Commission in Ottawa and the Federal Heritage Buildings Review Office.

It is anticipated that the West Memorial Building will house the Supreme Court of Canada for 5 to 7 years. This facility has stringent criteria for functionality, security, sustainability and heritage. For the Supreme Court fit-up, our team has worked closely with the users to modernize their current workplace standards to suit the new building configuration and meet contemporary workplace features. All new workplace and furniture standards have been developed for this project.

The West Memorial Building's sustainable design approach was customized specifically for the project to focus on initial and lifecycle cost, sustainability measure and reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. The project has achieved four Green Globes for design and is currently developing the documentation for the construction stage certification. Following PSPC's Real Property Sustainability Framework, the sustainable approach focuses on adaptability, health and wellness, community, ecology, and culture, as well as carbon, energy, and water efficiency.

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