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## **Duquesne University – Rangos School of Health Sciences (RSHS)**

### **Project Team Information**

#### **Duquesne University Executive Committee**

- David Dausey, Provost
- Jeffery Miller, Vice Provost
- Matthew Frist, Vice President for Finance and Business
- Fevzi Ankinci, Dean, Rangos School of Health Sciences
- Rod Dobish, Associate Vice President and Chief Facilities Officer
- Mark Minoski, Senior Director of Design and Construction
- Terri Leasure, Project Manager

#### **Rangos School of Health Sciences Steering Committee**

- Fevzi Ankinci, Dean, Rangos School of Health Sciences
- Heather Leavy Rusiewicz, Associate Dean Research & Chair of SLP
- Amy Matilla, Associate Dean Academic Affairs
- Kristin D'Acunto, Chair of Physician Assistant
- Ben Kivlan, Chair of Physical Therapy
- Jason Scibek, Chair of Health, Exercise & Applied Sciences
- Elena Donoso-Brown, Chair of Occupational Therapy
- Kelley Henderson, Chair of Athletic Training

#### **SLAM – Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Structural Engineering**

- Luis Vildostegui, Management Principal
- Neil Martin, AIA, Design Principal
- Karen Parzych AIA, Program Principal
- Gabriel Hohag, AIA, Project Architect
- Tyler Brandis, AIA, Staff Architect
- James Waldon, Designer
- Marlene Sharpe, Designer
- Kathryn Paktor, ASLA, Landscape Architect
- Bill Cone, ASLA, Landscape Architect
- Robert Zygmunt PE, SECB Structural Engineer
- Thomas Bronson, PE, Structural Engineer

#### **AE Works – Architecture**

- Larry Payne, AIA, Management Principal
- Maria Kyriacopoulos, AIA, Design Principal
- Joe Adiutori, Jr., AIA, Project Manager
- Christian Pegher, AIA, Project Architect
- Autumn Sariano, Designer

#### **LANGAN – Civil Engineering**

- Erminio Genoese, Project Engineer
- Kaleb Gatz, Staff Engineer

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- Erica Beigi, Staff Engineer

**H.F. Lenz – Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Fire Protection Engineering**

- Joel Schumaker, PE Principal in Charge
- Scott Kraynak PE, Project Engineer

**Convergent Technologies – Audio/Visual and Acoustical Engineers**

- Bill Holaday, Principal
- Ajinkya Patil, Project Manager

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**The S/L/A/M Collaborative, Inc.**

In 1976, our founding partners, David LaBau and Russell Stecker established a 6-person office in Connecticut. Over the next 43 years, the firm experienced continued growth through mergers and acquisitions. Today SLAM has over 280 Design Thinker's across our offices in Atlanta, GA, Boston, MA, Denver, CO, Glastonbury, CT, Iowa City, IA, Los Angeles, CA, Orlando, FL, and Philadelphia, PA.

We are an integrated team of curious and open-minded design and construction professionals who use critical design dialogue to harvest the best ideas and translate them into our clients' reality. When our clients succeed, we succeed. These shared values have shaped our founders and will propel the next generation of SLAM professionals to grow our national practice.



**LUIS VILDOSTEGUI, AIA – MANAGEMENT PRINCIPAL**

Luis is a thoughtful collaborator and voice. He believes in robust dialogue and values the challenging questions that emerge when clients and colleagues partner in an inclusive, dynamic design process. Luis brings a critical design perspective and over 30 years of experience to his role as Principal and Education Sector Leader for SLAM's Philadelphia office. He embraces the programmatic and technical complexity of today's academic projects, integrating diverse perspectives to consistently access more subtle and nuanced solutions that deliver lasting value. A former university design faculty member and frequently invited juror and critic, his career has focused on higher education and academic master planning both domestically and internationally. He is a respected industry leader and distinguished speaker within higher education.

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## NEIL

### EDUCATION

B. Architecture, Rhode Island School of Design  
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### CREDENTIALS

Registrations: MA

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## NEIL MARTIN, AIA – DESIGN PRINCIPAL

Neil brings experience to the design and planning of multiple building types, with a particular focus on higher education facilities. A number of his recent projects, including LEED-rated buildings, have garnered design awards, and he has served as a panelist at symposia on issues regarding design and planning of higher education facilities.



## KAREN

### EDUCATION

B. Architecture, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

### CREDENTIALS

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Certifications: NCARB

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## KAREN PARZYCH AIA – PROGRAM PRINCIPAL

Karen is a Higher Education Market Leader with expertise in Medical and Health Sciences Education. Passionate about making the world a better place by creating spaces that bring people together, she has contributed to the design innovation of notable projects across the continental US. She specializes in medical, nursing, and health professions higher education facilities including the programming, planning, and detailing of inter-professional immersive simulation suites, active learning classrooms, anatomy labs, and student life spaces. With this deep understanding of unique design requirements, Karen helps institutions develop spaces to serve the current and future needs of the ever-evolving landscape of health sciences education. She holds a Bachelor of Architecture from Virginia Tech with a Minor in Leadership & Social Change, and is a professional member of AIA, NCARB, the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP), and the Society for Simulation in Healthcare (SSH).

## AE Works, Ltd.

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We leverage the comprehensive expertise and perspectives of architects, designers, engineers, safety and building consulting professionals to help you achieve your goals. Whether to support your organization's long-term resilience, create an environment that inspires your workforce or benefit from energy savings strategies, we help you realize the value in your built environment - because buildings are more important for what they help you achieve.

We make building projects a better value.