



UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA SHELBY HALL

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

CLIENT: UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA
SEN. RICHARD SHELBY

SIZE: 8 ACRES

SERVICES: MASTER PLANNING
ARCHITECTURE
LANDSCAPE

STATUS: COMPLETED

Located at the corner of campus drive and Hackberry Lane, the facility design compliments the traditional architecture of the campus and evokes the memory of the original University plan from 1831. The 200,000 square foot complex includes a three-story teaching wing and a four-story research wing.

A central courtyard formed by the five interior sides of the "pentagon" is filled with an oval lawn and sitting areas. Access to the courtyard is through the rotunda, the two cores in the laboratory wings, and two open arches in the corners of the building. The lawn slopes down slightly toward the rotunda, to form an elevated podium for convocations and other events. Enveloped with brick paths and a low stone wall, this area brings to the University campus a new "quadrangle." The quadrangles at the University are an integral part of the campus landscape, providing lush green spaces where students and faculty can relax, read, and enjoy the out of doors.

The work described on this page was completed by David Robbins while working with the HOK Planning Group.

