

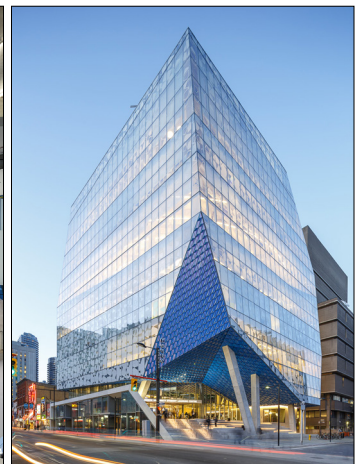
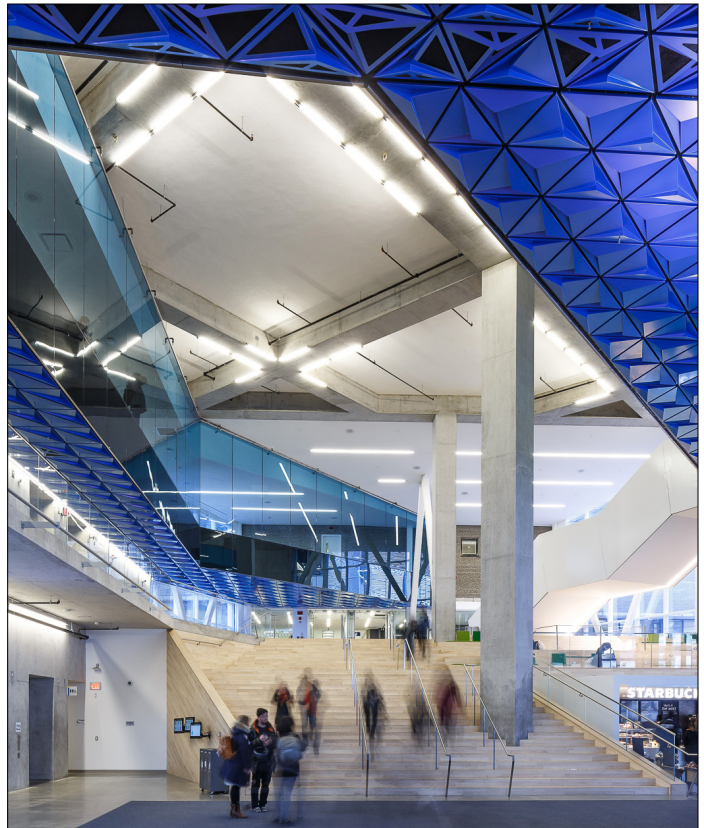
PROJECT	Ryerson University SLC Toronto, Canada
DETAILS	SonaKrete White 155,000 sq. ft.
ARCHITECT	Snøhetta New York, NY

Ryerson University's Student Learning Center (SLC) is the Ultimate Educational Environment. The center was designed by Snøhetta, and is the newest addition to the campus. The first floor of the center features a massive atrium, café and late night study zone. An expansive staircase leads to the first learning level above the lobby. To reduce excessive sound reflected off the hard surfaces and materials, acoustical treatment was essential. For this reason, SonaKrete, a spray-applied, hand-troweled acoustical finish was applied to the ceiling. Unlike hard surfaces and materials, which reflect sound, SonaKrete absorbs echo, reverberation and excessive noise, while complimenting the clean lines, exposed structural detail and industrial character.

SonaKrete was also utilized for areas throughout the center, including one aptly called "The Beach". The Beach is a completely open floor that serves as an informal study area. The walls consist of massive glass windows, which pour natural sunlight into the area. In addition to acoustic performance, SonaKrete White provides high light reflectivity and helps maximize day lighting.

When it comes to educational environments and open-plan design, the importance of acoustics cannot be over emphasized. SonaKrete provides optimum acoustic control, maximizing both functionality and indoor environmental quality. SonaKrete is available in White and Arctic White, and can be manufactured in custom matched integral colors.

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RYERSON STUDENT LEARNING CENTER TORONTO, CANADA

Boston University's East Campus Center connects students to services and social activities. The center was designed by Bruner Cott, and is LEED Gold registered. The four-story facility serves as the home to the writing center, academic advising offices, and the center for career development. To ensure maximum functionality, an application of SonaKrete in White was utilized to control excessive sound. In addition to acoustic performance, SonaKrete provides the center with natural light reflectivity.



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