

An aerial photograph of the Utah State University campus in Logan, Utah, taken during the golden hour of sunset. The sun is low on the horizon to the left, casting a warm glow over the scene. The campus is densely packed with various buildings, including a prominent green glass building in the foreground. A large green field is visible in the middle ground. The campus is surrounded by lush green trees and a road curves along the right side. In the background, rolling green hills and mountains are visible under a sky filled with soft, white clouds.

FY24 Dedicated Capital Project Requests Utah State University

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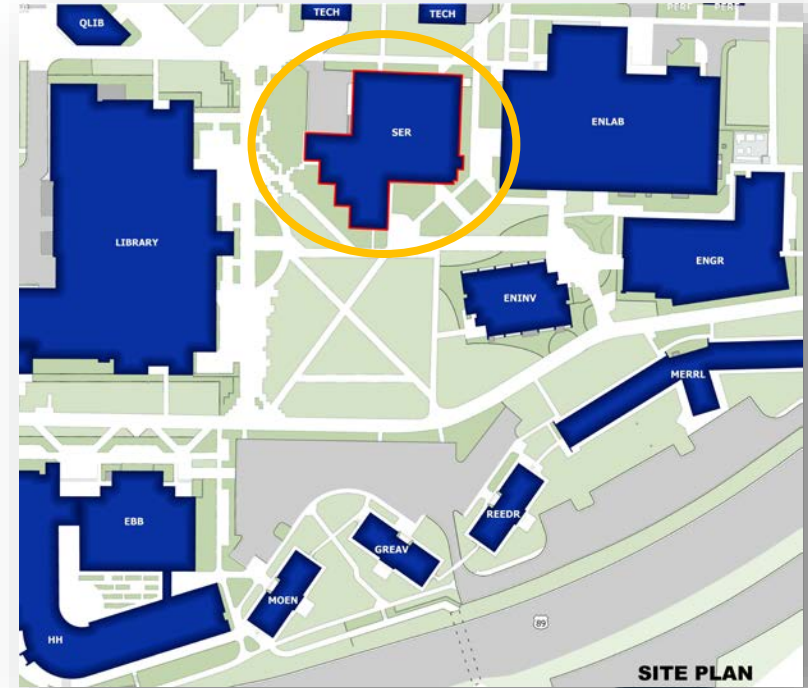
Science Engineering Research (SER) Building Renovation

The Project:

- Renovate 14,600 sq ft within the SER building previously occupied by the non-academic Information Technology unit
- Relocate the Computer Science department that is currently in the Old Main building to SER
- Provide additional space for Computer Science student support and future growth that cannot be accommodated in Old Main

Cost-effectiveness and Efficient Use of Resources

- Renovation utilizes the current building footprint, eliminating the need for new land on the USU-Logan campus
- Renovation is one-half the cost of new construction
- Locates the Computer Science department in closer proximity to other departments in the College of Science
- Increases the visibility and access of the Computer Science department to students in the Science and Engineering quadrant



Consistent with Role, Mission, and Master Plan

- Increases access to students in the high-demand area of Computer Science
- Enhances the Computer Science department goals:
 - Foster community
 - Be student-centric
 - Practice continuous improvement
 - Provide innovation and opportunity
- Renovates a high-quality building that will serve USU's academic needs for an additional 25+ years



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PROJECT BUDGET:

PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATE	\$4.2M
TOTAL PROJECT SPACE (GSF)	14,600
New space (GSF)	0
Remodeled space (GSF)	14,600
Leased space to be vacated (GSF)	0
INCREASE IN STATE-FUNDED O&M	\$0

Summary of Science Engineering Research (SER) Building Renovation

- Provides a flourishing academic department with space for growth and enhanced student support services
- Relocates the department near other units in Science and Engineering, which maximizes operational efficiencies, increases access to shared classes, and enhances research collaboration
- Advances USU *Domino Effect Space Study*
- **Request \$4.2M of \$14.2M USU Dedicated Capital Project funding in FY24**