Adams House Renovation at Phillips Academy / Andover, Massachusetts



Owner: Phillips Academy

Area: 14,706sf

Duration: 2 Months

Type: Renovation





Phillips Academy once again partnered with Erland to renovate the historic Adams House dormitory on its evolving Andover campus. Originally constructed in 1912 and designed by renowned architect Guy Lowell, Adams House stood as a prominent example of Georgian Revival architecture and a key component of the West Quadrangle—an ensemble of dormitories facing inward to form a central courtyard.

The renovation modernized the 14,700-square-foot residence while honoring its legacy. The scope included bathroom upgrades, enhancements to the mechanical and fire alarm systems, and the replacement of 122 windows, four skylights, two sliding doors, and all flooring. Additional improvements encompassed updated lighting, refreshed paint, and new finishes throughout to improve comfort for student residents.

Safety was a priority with faculty apartments remaining occupied throughout construction, and activities were carefully coordinated to minimize disruption. This project marked Erland's sixth collaboration with Phillips Academy.

