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INSPIRED SPACES Renewal project enhances Campus Quad (From *Rivier Today*, Fall 2016)



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This past summer, Rivier's Campus Quad underwent a major renovation to increase its functionality and to beautify the campus center.

Consistent with the design and materials used in the Gateway Projects, new terraced steps and walkways surround the Quad and provide additional avenues of access to residence halls and administrative buildings. A large patio with seating walls extends beyond the bottom of the Dion Center steps. New landscaping enhances the outdoor space and creates a welcoming entrance to the Dion Center.

"Our intent is that the Quad will serve as a gathering place," says Kurt Stimeling, Vice President for Student Affairs. "The open green space, new patio, and seating areas invite students and campus groups to meet, study, and enjoy outdoor activities in this vibrant community space."

Alumni were among the first to utilize the patio area, meeting there for a barbecue luncheon and the President's Cocktail Reception during Alumni Reunion Weekend in September 2016. The open air venue provided a comfortable gathering space for alumni and donors with sunset views of the new Quad and Heritage Plaza.