

Cromwell College Student Accommodation

Cromwell College within the University of Queensland at St Lucia required new catered coeducational student accommodation facilities expanding its overall capacity by 25%. The design is strongly empathetic in both siting and detail with the original campus plan and the character of the existing 1950s buildings.

An innovative single-loaded corridor arrangement allows all student rooms the best climatic orientation to the north and premier views back into a newly formed quadrangle and across to the city and the main UQ campus.

The arrangement of accommodation in 'pods' of four rooms with associated services allows greater flexibility in social organisation with pods of one gender arranged on mixed floors, instead of the existing arrangement that requires the stratifying of genders.

Completed: 2011

Client: Cromwell College

Architect: Elizabeth Watson Brown Architects

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