

Douglas College updates public space to make it more student-friendly

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Douglas College's largest public space, the New Westminster concourse, got an extensive makeover this summer to make it more engaging to students.

Students said they wanted a more student-centred, friendly, comfortable place to study and spend time outside of class, and Douglas responded.

Improvements include a climate-controlled lounge, stage, new flooring, comfortable chairs, work stations – which include large LCD flat monitors – planters, coloured gels over a number of windows and an HD video screen.

“It's an update of the college and also marks the start of the next 40 years, with some physical changes to the institution to make it more student friendly, says Scott McAlpine, President of Douglas College.

“It's a signifier of change and it's about student engagement.”