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Zane State College case study: 1st paragraph to read: Davis Architectural Group's in-depth experience with both industrial and educational design was applied to the design and development of Zane State College's Willett-Pratt Training Center located in Cambridge, Ohio.

According to Sally Francis, Associate Dean for Workforce Development at Zane State College, "Davis designed the building so the classrooms afforded access to our industrial lab, which is the core of our building."

The 12,000 square foot training lab can easily accommodate the most sophisticated equipment and has "Smart Classrooms" which provide distance learning and teleconference opportunities. Besides the building's creative and innovative design, Zane State faculty and staff love the open and modern feel of their training center.

Site constraints presented some challenges. Zane State vice president and treasurer Al Brown said, "A large portion of the site is in the flood plain, is composed of poor soils, and is in close proximity to an airport, thus Davis had to design the building to make use of the irregular area out of the floodplain and to be in compliance with FAA height regulations."

This in mind, DAG designed the building to step in height away from the airport and still create efficient open space inside the building.

The cutting edge design of the exterior of the training center also seems to emulate the technological interior and its unique training modules.

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"The first thing that hit me is the building's roof design, which seems to emulate soaring into space. Being next to an airport, it fits in well."

*Sally Francis
Associate Dean for Workforce Development*



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