

Located in the historic, downtown district of Savannah, Savannah College of Art & Design (SCAD) has experienced phenomenal growth, generating high demand for housing and resulting in overcrowding of their existing student housing facilities. Looking for a way to put over 500 beds on only three-and-a-half acres, SCAD consulted with University Housing Services for a creative solution.



UHS worked diligently with the local Historic Review Board to gain approval for the University's project that not only achieved 574 beds but satisfied the strict requirements for building in the historic district. UHS suggested ways to incorporate an historic, 160-year-old railroad trestle into the design and encouraged the design team to maintain many of the original site design elements into the new housing structure.

Project features include:

- Pre-cast lightweight concrete structure
- Deep foundations (Dewall piles)
- Oversized elevators for students with art portfolios
- Conference rooms
- Convenience store
- Full-service exercise gym

Beautifully clad in brick and stucco, the facility provides a pedestrian boulevard, linking SCAD's existing housing with the core of their campus.



## Savannah College of Art and Design

### Project Name and Location:

Turner House  
Savannah College of Art & Design  
Savannah, Georgia

### Project Specifics:

Beds - 574  
Project Completion - Fall 2001  
Completed on time  
Completed within budget

### Nature of Firm's Responsibility:

- Project Consulting
  - Finance
  - Design Review
- Residence Life Programming
- Historic Review Board Approvals
- Utilities Contract Negotiations
- Program Scheduling
- Project Reporting

### Reference:

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### Program Manager:

University Housing Services, Inc.  
William H. Mills, Jr., President

### Design Firm:

HADP Architecture, Inc.

### Construction Manager:

Beers Construction Company  
and The Carson Company

### Financial Consultant:

The Frazer Lanier Company, Inc.