



Michael Thompson

AIA, LEED AP

Associate Principal

With over 20 years of experience, Michael is a Studio Leader and senior designer in SCB's Campus Environments practice group. His expertise includes all campus building types from highly complex science buildings and labs to student life facilities. Michael believes that campus architecture should both respond to and reflect an institution's unique character and culture. His design approach focuses on light, volume, and texture as a means of communicating ideas while sheltering needs. Michael leads the design process for a project from inception through construction, ensuring the integrity of the creative process and the quality of the completed design.

EDUCATION PROJECTS

EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana
Champaign
Master of Architecture
Bachelor of Science in Architectural
Studies

REGISTRATIONS

Architect - Illinois
LEED AP
Chicago Energy Code Licensed
Professional – Commercial /
Residential

AFFILIATIONS/ACTIVITIES

– American Institute of Architects

PRESENTATIONS AND

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

– Guest Studio Critic, University of
Illinois Chicago
– Guest Studio Critic, University of
Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
– Guest Speaker, University of
Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

AWARDS AND PUBLICATIONS

2019 SCUP/AIA-CAE Excellence in
Architecture for a New Building,
Honorable Mention

Wilkerson Commons, University of
North Dakota, Grand Forks, North
Dakota

– AIA North Dakota Honor Award,
2016
– “Facility Focus: Wilkerson
Commons, The University of
North Dakota,” College Planning
& Management, November 2016

Student Wellness Complex,*

University of North Florida,
Jacksonville, Florida

– AIA Orlando Award of Merit, 2013
– AIA Florida People's Choice
Award, 2015
– AIA Central Illinois Excellence in
Design Award, 2014
– Athletic Business Magazine
Award of Merit, 2014
– American School & University

Drexel University
Calhoun Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
105,000 sf, 406-bed student residence
renovation with 11,000 sf addition

Loyola University Chicago
Chicago, Illinois
– Center for Translational Research and
Education (CTRE) - 262,000 sf, 5-story
science and research building with wet and
dry research labs, 265-seat auditorium, and
vivarium, LEED Gold
– St. Joseph Hall - 135,000 sf, 7-story, 406-bed
suite-style student residence, targeting LEED
Silver

Arizona State University
Tooker House and Dining Hall
Tempe, Arizona
458,000 sf, 7-story, 1,589-bed student residence
with 27,000 sf, 545-seat dining hall, LEED Gold

Northeastern Illinois University
The Nest
Chicago, Illinois
168,000 sf, 6-story, 440-bed suite-style student
residence

University of North Dakota
Wilkerson Commons
Grand Forks, North Dakota
67,000 sf, 2-story, 514-seat dining hall and
student center renovation and addition

Confidential Client
Student Recreation and Varsity Athletic Center
Confidential Location
146,000 sf programming and conceptual design
for 2-story student recreation and varsity
athletic center

Columbia College Chicago
Student Center Programming
Chicago, Illinois
Programming for 125,000 sf student center with
dining

Texas A&M University-San Antonio
Esperanza Hall
San Antonio, Texas
105,000 sf, 4-story, 385-bed semi-suite-style
student residence

Ball State University
North Campus Residence Hall
Muncie, Indiana
150,000 sf, 5-story, 508-bed traditional-style
student residence, targeting LEED Gold

Mercy Home for Boys & Girls
Chicago, Illinois
45,000 sf, 3-story, 80-bed youth residence
renovation and 6,000 sf dining hall addition

Bradley University
Convergence Center*
Peoria, Illinois
480,000 sf academic building

University of North Florida
Student Wellness Complex*
Jacksonville, Florida
114,000 sf student recreation center, LEED Gold

Illinois Central College
Cougar Plex Student Wellness and Athletic
Center*
East Peoria, Illinois
54,000 sf addition and 9,000 sf remodel,
targeting LEED Silver

Illinois State University
Student Fitness and Kinesiology/Recreation
Building*
Normal, Illinois
104,000 sf student recreation center, 43,000 sf
School of Kinesiology facility

* Denotes projects completed prior to joining SCB