



HOWARD
UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC YEAR
2025-2026 LOOKBOOK

Campus Facilities **ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Letter from the **PRESIDENT**

Dr. Wayne A. I. Frederick.

DEAR HOWARD UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY,

As we enter a new calendar year at Howard University, I am reminded of the enduring and expanding footprint of “The Mecca” in the nation’s capital. From our earliest beginnings in a single building to a campus footprint that will continue to grow through 2026 and beyond, we are making deliberate investments that strengthen the physical foundation of an institution grounded in truth, service, and impact. In a world experiencing profound and rapid change, Howard moves forward with purpose—anchored in our mission and confident in our future.

Across our campus, that progress is visible and meaningful. From the careful restoration of cherished institutional landmarks such as Founders Library to the introduction of new, dual-use facilities that blend residential life with state-of-the-art academic and administrative spaces, including The Oliver, our campus is expanding in ways that create opportunity. These developments are not simply about growth at scale; they reflect our commitment to enhancing the Howard experience for generations to come.

This Lookbook highlights the latest renovations and new construction projects designed with our community at the center. These investments do more than modernize our facilities—they connect Howard University more deeply to the most urgent and dynamic challenges of our time. As a Research One (R1) institution, Howard remains sharply focused on exemplary, collaborative research, supported by strategic enhancements to facilities such as the Chemistry Building and Biology Building, among others featured in these pages. Our research enterprise serves as an anchor for the surrounding community and a catalyst for solutions to pressing global problems.

For more than 150 years, Howard University has stood as a cornerstone of American higher education. As I look ahead—from the energy of the spring semester to the promise of another unforgettable Fall Homecoming—I am grounded in the resilience, brilliance, and collective spirit of this institution. Our legacy continues to grow because of the dedication of our faculty, staff, students, and alumni across the world. Together, let us continue to honor that legacy by embracing our Bison pride, pushing boundaries, creating solutions, and working always towards a better tomorrow.

Excellence in Truth and Service,

Wayne A. I. Frederick, M.D., MBA
Interim President and Charles R. Drew Professor of Surgery,
Howard University

Letter from the

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Rashad Young

DEAR HOWARD UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY,

We are proud to be reaching unprecedented heights as the first and only HBCU that is a Carnegie-classified Research One (R1) institution and receiving the top classification for colleges and universities that facilitate social and economic mobility. We know that as the world changes, it's not enough to rest on our laurels. Howard continues to grow in truth, service, and excellence. It has been a joy to see projects like The Oliver and Mary Church Terrell House completed and enjoyed by our community. These renovations and new buildings are not empty accolades. They deliver tangible increases in opportunity for our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and the city we call home. From improvements to the Myrtilla Miner Building to the transformation of the Biology Building, we have already seen the impact of these upgrades, creating a more connected, collaborative, and innovative campus environment.

This work would not have been possible without the team effort from many of you. I'd like to give special thanks

to the Howard University Real Estate Development and Physical Facilities Management teams, who ensure these projects meet the Howard standard of excellence and will serve students for generations. It also takes patience and support from all of you, our Howard community. This Lookbook exemplifies a small bit of the tremendous amount of work and planning it takes to better the lives of those who walk our campus every day. As we continue to plan and execute facility improvements, we look forward to continuing this collaborative effort.

I hope this book inspires you and acts as a reminder that community and commitment can grow from a single building to a world-renowned institution. I continue to be Bison proud and look forward to an even more transformational future!

Committed to Truth and Service,

Rashad Young
Senior Vice President and Chief Administration Officer,
Howard University

CONTRIBUTIONS TO REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

A proud Howard alumnus, Derrek Niec-Williams is an owner’s representative and program manager who has delivered mission-driven education and civic development projects totaling more than \$500 million for K–12 districts, universities, and municipal clients, shepherding work from early planning through occupancy.

Niec-Williams’ long string of successes shepherding physical asset development processes from strategic thinking through construction, his acute architectural proficiencies, and his exposure to internationally diverse educational environments as the son of United States diplomats have accumulated into a proven capacity for shaping responsive, culturally contextualized, value-maximized educational assets built to serve communities for the long term.

At Howard University, he directs land use strategy, planning, design, entitlements, and development for the University’s 256+ acre real estate portfolio. His expertise spans master planning, facility programming, budgeting and financial modeling, cost estimation, construction administration, historic preservation, and regulatory approvals. He aligns stakeholders, manages risk, and enforces schedule and budget discipline to deliver high-performing learning environments on time consistently.



Derrek Niec-Williams
ASSOCIATE VICE
PRESIDENT OF PLANNING
AND ARCHITECTURE

Anthony Freeman is Senior Advisor to the President and leads Real Estate Development and Capital Asset Management at Howard University, overseeing a \$1.5 billion portfolio and guiding development and acquisitions that expand the University’s presence across the District.

Key outcomes include closing more than \$250 million in mixed-use transactions; raising over \$250 million in private and tax-exempt capital for student housing redevelopment; securing a hospital tax abatement package; repositioning major academic, health care, and commercial assets; and advancing campus master planning through community, regulatory, and legislative processes.

Previously, Freeman was a Partner at SKY Development and a Senior Vice President at Sodexo, where he led a 300+ person team driving growth in the company’s \$4 billion Healthcare Division and commercialized initiatives exceeding \$100 million in revenue. He served as President and CEO of the National Capital Revitalization Corporation and its subsidiaries, managing a \$2 billion portfolio and advancing economic development.

He holds a B.S. in Systems Engineering from the University of Virginia and an M.B.A. in Finance from American University, graduating with honors.



Anthony Freeman
VICE PRESIDENT &
SENIOR REAL ESTATE
ADVISOR



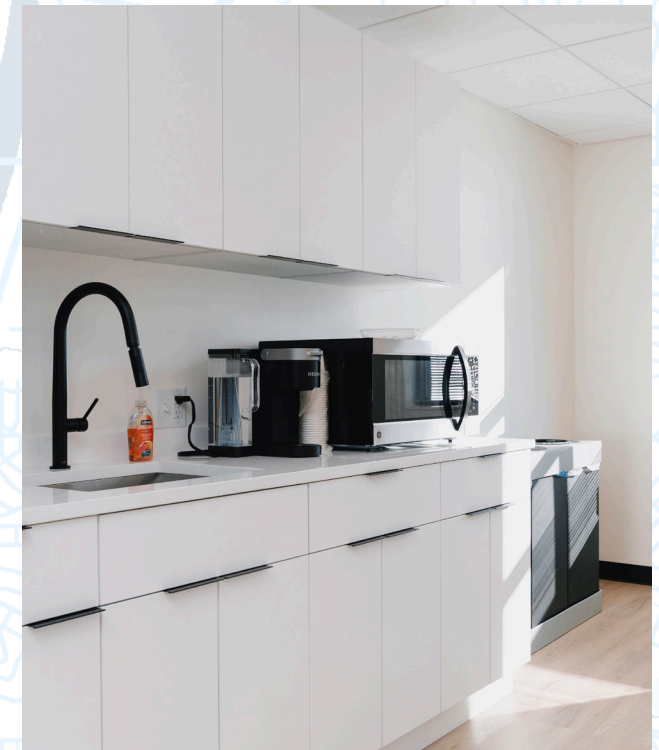


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COMMUNICATIONS: 1250 U ST

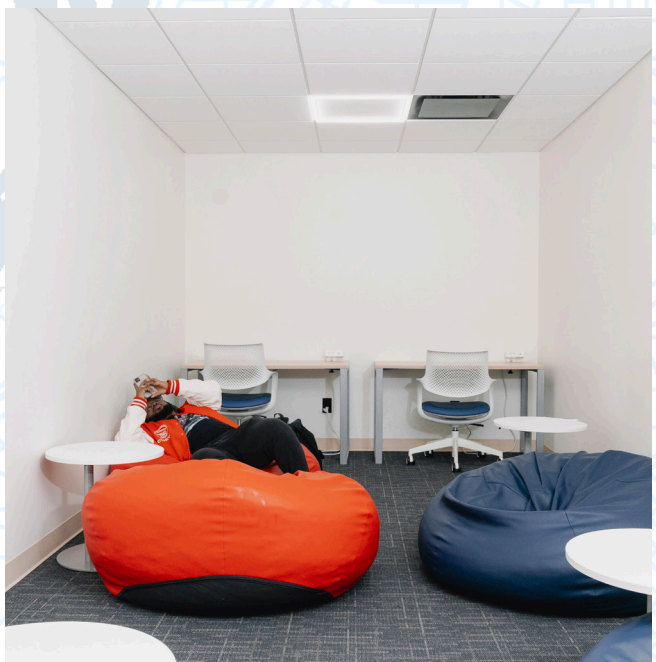
Anchor site for CHSOC graduate programs, Communication Sciences and Disorders, and the Speech and Hearing Clinic.





COMMUNICATIONS: BUILDING 24

Academic hub centered on classrooms, faculty offices, and shared support spaces for communications instruction and advising.





COMMUNICATIONS: WHUT

Broadcast-grade facilities supporting hands-on production, training, and professional media instruction.





FINE ARTS

Renovations

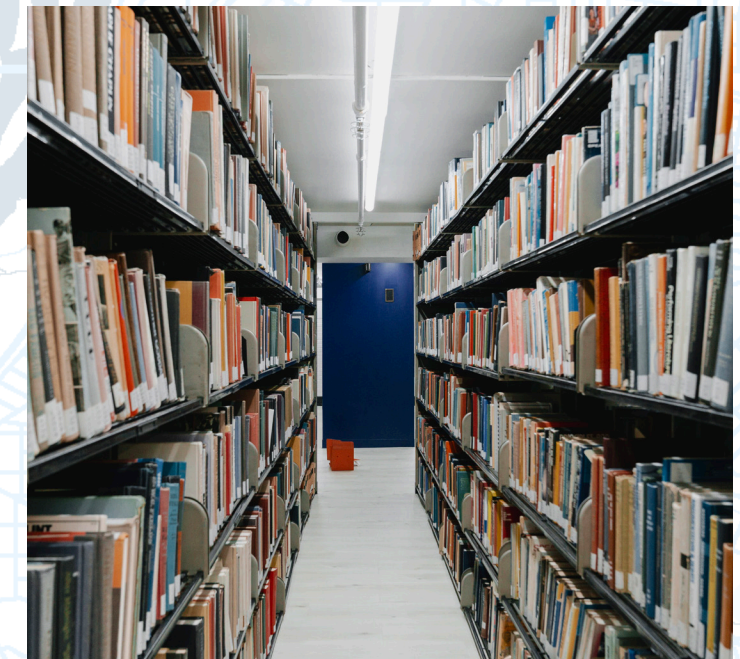
Studio and performance space upgrades supporting creative instruction, rehearsal, and public-facing artistic programming.



FOUNDERS LIBRARY

Renovations

Building-systems renewal supporting continued library operations and long-term facility performance.



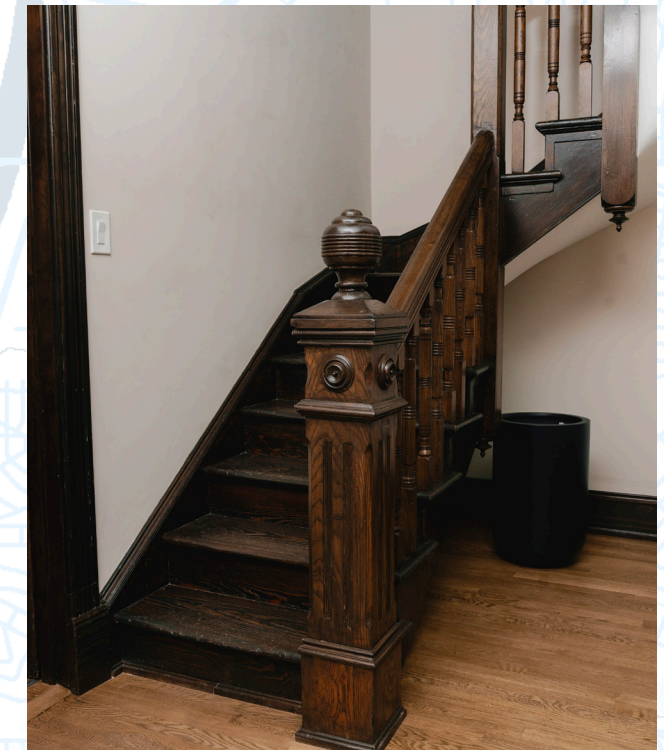


HOWARD MANOR

Preservation and comprehensive renovation strengthening residential quality, safety, and long-term building performance.

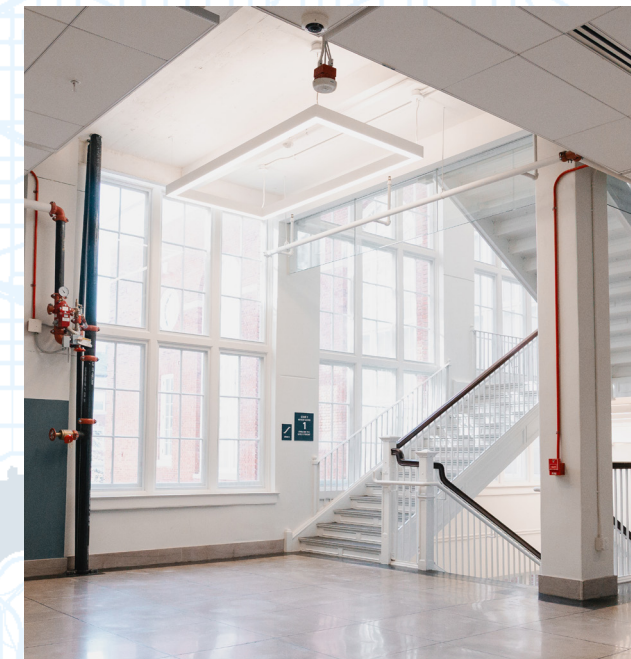
MARY CHURCH TERRELL HOUSE

Historic preservation and building upgrades protect a national landmark while creating opportunities for mission-aligned programming.



MINER BUILDING: SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Transformative restoration of a long-dormant historic facility, returning a critical academic space to active use.





MINER BUILDING: THE HOWARD UNIVERSITY MIDDLE SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE (MS)²

Purpose-built learning environment within a restored historic structure, supporting daily instruction and Howard's Pre-K-to-Ph.D. pipeline.



THE ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA ALPHA SORORITY, INC. MONUMENT

Permanent campus monument
honoring the founding of Alpha
Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, at
Howard University.



SERVICE CENTER

Renovations

Renovated entry sequence and guard suite, plus a refreshed second-floor break room supporting daily staff operations.





BIOLOGY BUILDING

Building and lab upgrades supporting flexible, research-ready learning environments for contemporary biological instruction.





CHEMISTRY BUILDING

Major building modernization and equipment renewal supporting safer, more effective chemistry instruction and research.



THE OLIVER: COMMERCIAL

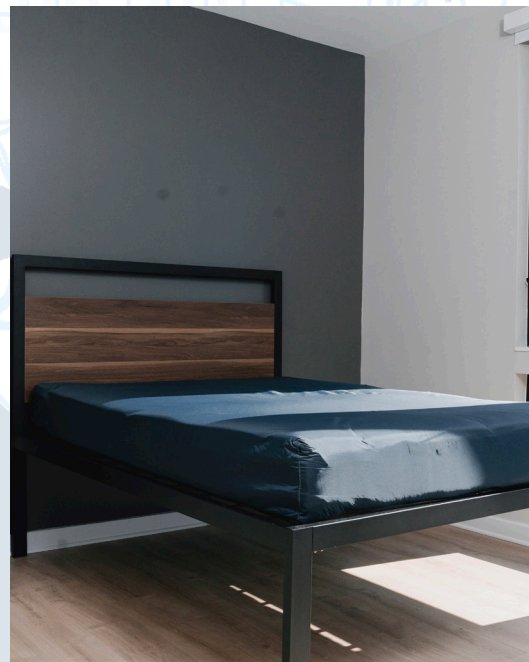
Housing University Communications and Development and Alumni Relations, plus a multipurpose event venue for campus convenings.

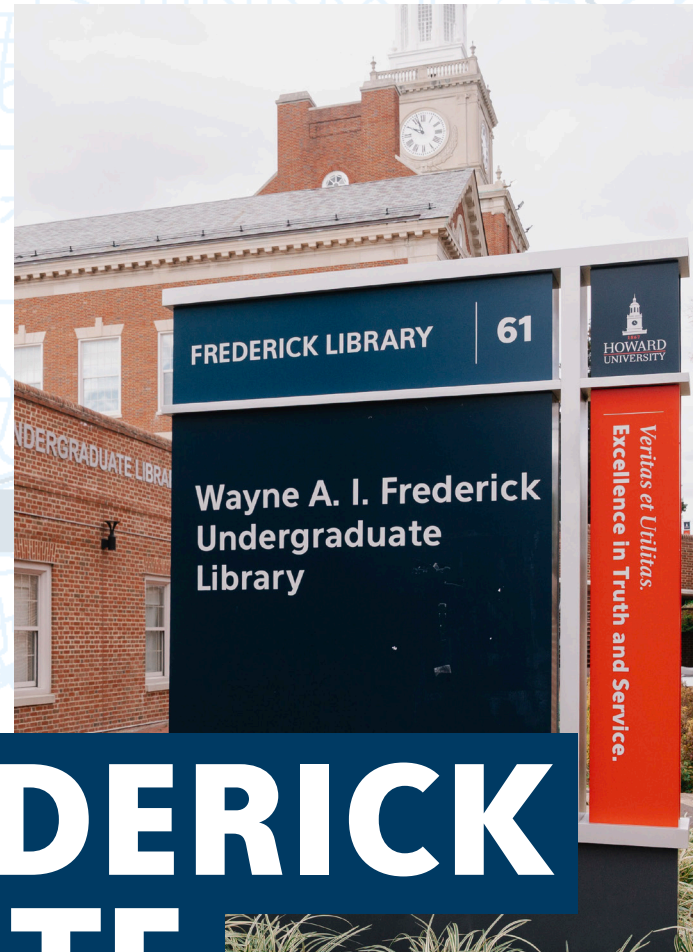




THE OLIVER: RESIDENTIAL

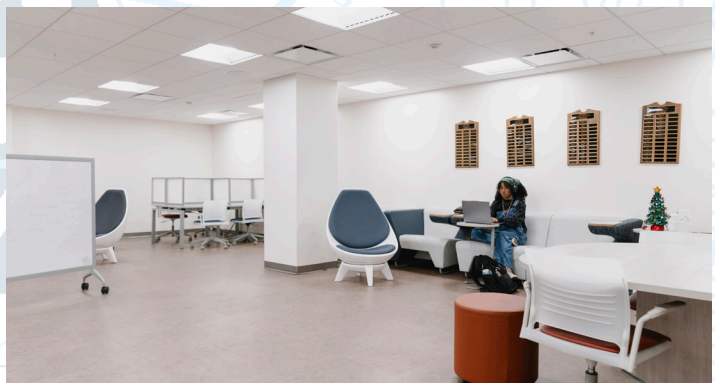
New mixed-use development
delivering 93 apartments for Howard
graduate and professional students,
faculty, and staff.





WAYNE A.I. FREDERICK UNDERGRADUATE LIBRARY

Established academic hub providing dependable study space, research support, and student-centered services.



COMING SOON

Our work continues. Keep your eyes on Thirkield Hall, Childers Hall, and more around campus for facility improvements. To learn more about Howard University's Real Estate ventures, visit us at realestate.howard.edu.

Childers Hall



Chemistry Basement



Thirkield Hall



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