

University of Missouri Health Care South Providence Medical Building



LOCATION

Columbia, Missouri

DESCRIPTION

85,550 sf Medical Office Building

COMPLETION DATE

Spring 2015

CONSTRUCTION BUDGET

\$21 million

CLIENT REFERENCE

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The defining feature of the 85,550 sf medical office building is a two-story galleria that rises from between two solid masonry masses, identifying the entrances and organizing the building for intuitive wayfinding. Materials, proportions and forms are developed in a way that creates a balance between traditional and contemporary design. A limestone base transitions to vertical fields of reddish-brown brick between large expanses of glass. Horizontal limestone bands further divide the facades, adding visual interest.

Large, repetitive vertical windows emphasize building height and suggest a grand space within. Integral sun shading devices add dimensionality to the facades while reducing heat gain and glare inside. Canopies and overhangs, clad with light-colored metal, introduce a lighter and more contemporary feel to the overall design.

The site design concept incorporates sustainable storm water management solutions that offer strong visual interest, and create an outdoor space that enhances the experience as visitors arrive, park and walk towards the building. Additionally, the site layout strongly aligns with the building galleria axis emphasizing the west and east entries. Viewing the site from South Providence, a retention basin sits at the mouth of a wedge shaped bioswale that splays the parking and points directly toward the main building entrance. A wellness walking trail meanders around water features, along planted landscape beds and across the prairie-like north edge of the site. Manicured lawns along roads, drives and walks transition to bio-swales and rain gardens. Consistently spaced trees flank the north side of Southampton and smaller ornamental trees soften the hardscapes and parking lots.

