



**The modular “pods” were conceived to be assembled off site and installed with very minimal disruption to student life in an occupied loft-style college dormitory.** This installation is the second application of the same design strategy and palettes at the college, which is maximizing use of available vacant apartments in the downtown area. The playful pattern and mix of materials was conceived to minimize material waste. This makes economic and environmental sense, but also results in a playful appearance that appealed to the students and college administration alike. The L-shaped plan of the units provides stability to the units, allowing one end to be anchored to the wall, with a characteristic vertical element anchored to the ceiling at the “floating” end. The colors and textures of the walls make a repetitive system appealing and interesting to the students who live there. Doban Architecture previously designed the award-winning façade restoration of this building as part of the New Rochelle Model Development Block project, working for the BID and the Community Preservation Corporation.

**Project Type** ..... Interior Renovation  
**Location** ..... 555 Main Street, New Rochelle, NY  
**Client** ..... Monroe College  
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