8.21.20
The following are pictures from the weeks ending in 8.28.20 through 8.21.20 in regards to the Life Sciences Building Interior Renovations Project. This is the first report in this series as this project gets underway. Originally all the work associated with this project was planned to have been completed by the start of the Fall Semester 2020, but like many aspects of society the COVID-19 pandemic and associated quarantine delayed this project. However, currently we are on track to have all of the work wrapped up by mid-November, and so the whole facility will be ready for the Winter Semester 2021. This project can be divided into three parts: the lighting and A/V retrofitting all laboratories, the complete renovations to all the classrooms and lectures, and the installation of new data cabling and tray system. The first and last items listed will be completed first, with the classrooms and lecture halls finishing last.

The top-left photo shows the very beginning of the demolition of the ceilings in one of the classrooms. Each of the classrooms will receive new paint and wall base, new flooring, new ceiling grid/tile and LED lighting, new A/V systems, and new furniture.

The top-right photo highlights the progress of the demolition work in the first floor lecture hall. Here all of seating (original to the building) has been removed and the seating area is being adjusted so that when it is finished it will be ADA (handicap) compliant.

The bottom-right photo shows the progress of the installation of some new mechanical ductwork in classroom L-111.

The bottom-left photo was taken from just inside the second-floor lecture hall. A portion of the brick screen wall has been removed to make way for a new seating area in back of the room. Like it’s counterpart downstairs the seating area in this room will be modified so as to provide access for designated wheelchair seating.