The following are pictures from the week of Nov. 27 - Dec. 1, 2017 in regards to the Life Sciences Building Façade Improvements and Addition Project. A lot progress was made this week as more of the exterior metal stud wall was framed and some of the sheathing was installed. The buried drainage line that connects the roof drains of the addition to the storm sewer system on campus was installed. More of the detailing of the support steel for the new shade systems was finished, and next week some of the first new shade panels will start to be installed. The concrete for the ramp and stairs on the north side of the addition will be placed next week as the forms are ready. The beginning of the installation of the new roof hatch that will give access to the low roof over the north wing had it’s support steel fitted into place.

The top-left photo shows the progress of the installation of the plywood sheathing on the exterior side of the curved west wall of the addition. Once the sheathing is finished and covered with a vapor barrier the brick veneer can be installed.

The top-right photo shows the installation of the vapor barrier over the exterior sheathing on the south side of the addition.

The bottom-right photo highlights the progress of the forming of the exterior ramp and stairs on the north side of the addition. Here you can see some of the reinforcing steel in place before the form is completed. The concrete for the ramp and stairs will be placed next week.

The bottom-left photo shows the installation of the support steel for the new roof access hatch for the roof over the north wing of the existing building. Previously this roof was only accessible by ladder, however when the access hatch is finished the maintenance staff will be able to gain access to the roof without the need for a ladder.