Background

University of Alaska Southeast Ketchikan has offered marine transportation training to mariners for the better part of 30 years. The Robertson Building was acquired in 1976 and put into UAS service in 1977; the Hamilton Building was constructed in 1984. Many of the original building systems have suffered from changing uses and ad hoc adaptations to those uses. Although the Robertson Building was renovated in 2003, subsequent changes to academic programs and curriculum have left current programs without adequate support. The Hamilton Building has not been renovated.

The mission of the Maritime Training Center is to “provide Alaskans statewide with the skills and technical knowledge to enable them to be productive in the continually evolving maritime industry.” As the Mission Area Analysis clearly demonstrates, the maritime industry is economically vibrant and poised for growth. As the maritime sector continues to expand, it brings the need for additional courses, programs and equipment. With new standards and additional workers in new and emerging industries, the Maritime Training Center will be the primary educational institution in the region for maritime and marine manufacturing industries.

Expanding course offerings and training opportunities for the maritime industry is constrained at this time due to an aging infrastructure and overall lack of adequate space for new, equipment-intensive courses. Space needs will be exacerbated as enrollment increases and additional sections are added to current programs.

Project Scope

The project will re-organize, renovate, and upgrade program spaces and building systems to meet current program needs in a pair of existing joined buildings.

The project scope will be described in the Statement of Requirements

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- Mission Area Analysis and Statement of Need completed April 2015
- Statement of Requirements to be completed August 2015
- Preliminary Administrative Approval to be submitted on completion of the Statement of Requirements

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