

De Monfort University

The design team behind this central student hub at De Monfort University, Leicester, had a long list of requirements to enhance each area. This substantial renovation delivers facilities for shopping, dining, and socialising, all of which showcase eye-catching designs and meet the demands of heavy student footfall thanks to a wide range of Polyflor flooring solutions.

Location: Leicester, UK

Products Used: Expona Design PUR, Expona Commercial PUR, Classic Mystique PUR, Polysafe Apex, Polysafe Verona PUR, Affinity255 PUR

Sector: Education



An established university refurbishment provided a student-centred showcase of high-performance flooring solutions across its campus. The newly renovated £3m Campus Centre at De Monfort University, Leicester, opened in 2017.

This modernised student hub is home to the De Montfort Student Union (DSU): a central component of campus life for thousands of undergraduates and postgraduates. The sophisticated space offers a selection of shops, cafés, break-out areas, and office space.

The impressive design is the work of CPMG Architects, Nottingham. They favoured a cross-section of Polyflor flooring to heighten the project, all installed by Westcotes Flooring, Leicester, whilst working under the main contractor, Stepnell.

The Cool Grey Concrete canvas of Expona Design PUR luxury vinyl tiles was used prominently throughout the Student Union circulation areas, corridors, and staircases.

In contrast, the wood effect of Polyflor's popular Affinity255 PUR heavy-duty Luxury Vinyl Tiles (LVT) range contrasted perfectly against the darker tones of Expona Design PUR.

The floors of the Student Union individual buildings showcase beautiful oak shades across Milly Lane's café, The Coffee Hut and Sulets accommodation office.

The Campus Centre also features products from Polyflor's Expona Commercial PUR, Classic Mystique PUR, Polysafe Apex and Polysafe Verona PUR. This assortment of specialist flooring features within the development's toilet areas, restaurant kitchens and the Student Union's music venue.

“ We chose to use Polyflor commercial luxury vinyl tiles and sheet vinyl flooring on this project because there was a great choice of designs to select from. They also offered a wealth of specifications to cater to the varying needs of different spaces across Campus Centre.

Cristina Riley, Interior Designer at CPMG Architects

