

Construction and Contractors on Campus

Our Living Campus

Capilano University's campuses are like living organisms. Our facilities and grounds have to be maintained, updated, transformed and expanded on an ongoing basis. This month we will be looking at safety and the work of keeping CapU physically up and running.

Who Does the Work?

Keeping our physical spaces thriving and growing is done "in-house" by CapU's facilities and IT departments and by a diverse selection of contractors and vendors.

The facilities and IT departments do regular maintenance, smaller installations, landscaping, and room set-ups.

Vendors are on campus making sales calls, deliveries and installation of their products.

Contractors at CapU do most of the specialized, high risk or larger scale projects and fall into three categories:

- Direct contractors to CapU and departments of CapU
- Prime contractors for large projects
- Sub-contractors, working indirectly through the contractors and prime contractors

Prime Contractors are Special

Prime contractors working on our campuses and properties operate their projects as their own worksites, independent of most Capilano university health and safety oversight. They are fully responsible for health and safety of their employees, sub-contractors & visitors to their sites, unless otherwise specified in their written agreements with Capilano University.

CapU employees visiting their sites must complete the prime's site orientations, and follow the same site rules and procedures as the prime's staff, sub-contractors and visitors.

Prime contractor sites at CapU include; the library expansion project, the upcoming Early Childhood Education Building, and the Bosa building's current roof repairs.

Safety is a priority at CapU! You are expected to complete tasks in a manner that doesn't put yourself, others or the environment at risk. ***Never walk past an unsafe act or condition*** and if you see something that can't be corrected right away, secure it and inform your supervisor and the safety department.