



SALUS UNIVERSITY

Completion of a New Simulation Center for Salus Students



Salus University's PA Department is very excited to see their new simulation center completed and operational to enhance student learning. Planning for this initiative has been underway for the past three years. A \$500,000 grant awarded to the University by Pennsylvania's Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program (RACP) assisted with the construction costs.

Many thanks to our neighboring PA Programs at Temple University, University of the Sciences, PCOM, and DeSales University for allowing us to tour their facilities which guided our initial designs. The program is also grateful for the support provided by Dr. Michael Mittelman, University President, Brian Zuckerman, Chief of Staff and Amie Leighton, the University's architect.

The PA Class of 2021 has already used the space for its fall "boot camp" which provided opportunity to practice their clinical and technical procedural skills before starting clinical rotations. The University provided additional funding for supplemental models and simulators so the program could expand the scope of such instruction. Training of standardized patients will soon begin in preparation for student patient care assessments planned for the 2021 academic year. Such simulation experiences are essential to allow students to refine their patient care and interprofessional skills in preparation for entry-level practice.