



A £7.75m transformation and will bring together state-of-the-art socialising, welfare and learning facilities.

## New for September 2010

### Innovative student facilities

The Communal Building facilities are being completely refurbished and have been extended to create an attractive, modern and interactive space fit for all the Students' Union facilities and student services. A new name is also being developed for the building.

The project includes the introduction of a new glazed roof over the central courtyard to create an additional 1,000m<sup>2</sup> of internal space and a glazed link to the J B Priestley library building at level 00.

### All under one roof

The 'learning atrium' created across two levels will provide a flexible space to house a mixture of new and exciting student-led activities ranging from individual or group study and informal learning to exhibitions, internet surfing, socialising, or even maybe exercise on Wii Fit!

The Students' Union services are arranged around the atrium, with lots of open, accessible space and an open link to the new shop and health bar.

New seminar/teaching rooms will open onto a freely accessible, quiet, innovative study area overlooking the atrium; a range of student support services will have direct easy access off this floor.

The 'entertainment floor' has new bars and re-vamped venue space including stage, dance floor and DJ booth. A smaller venue space for separate functions can be opened onto the larger venue space for special events. There will also be a large games room and a 'village hall' open to students to socialise around a meal.

**Technology** will be included to facilitate the use of laptops and IT devices anywhere in the building, whether on a bean bag in the mall or on a coffee table in the health bar. Dedicated computer desks will enable wired connection and charging of devices. Acoustics, heat gains and ventilation will be controlled by a Building Management System to ensure the best comfort for users at all times.

The University is investing over £84 million in a modernisation plan that includes:

- Continuous investment in new and upgraded teaching facilities, featuring innovative use of IT

### Open for September 2010:

- Upgraded building to house the Students' Union, student services and a new suite of teaching spaces including a large tiered lecture theatre and new-style social learning areas

### Already Open:

- Unique: Fitness & Lifestyle – new sports facilities including a gym and climbing wall and an improved sports hall
- The Atrium – a distinctive area bringing together all student support services in an open-plan social space
- A £12m investment in a newly opened MBA suite, library and atrium at the School of Management
- Completely refurbished and upgraded laboratories in the School of Life Sciences

### Open for September 2011:

- The School of Health Studies housed in its own building on the city campus featuring a health and science quarter
- A Sustainable Student Village incorporating the ethos of sustainable living within a 1,017-bed student village featuring town houses and cluster flats



# Sustainable Student Village



- Major new £40 million accommodation complex open September 2011
- First BREEAM Outstanding Student Accommodation design in UK
- Four-floor town houses and six/seven-floor cluster flats
- Extensive green space and areas for quiet relaxation, arts and musical performance
- Central public square and biodiversity pond
- Designed to be sustainable with low energy use, low waste, high levels of insulation, very high level of air tightness and meticulous materials specification
- Will deliver plentiful hot water through solar energy, and high-quality internal air freshness