

UMBC CYBERHIVE

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*THE 'CYBERHIVE' IS AN INNOVATIVE DESIGN CONSCIOUS INCUBATOR SPACE THAT FOCUSES ON CREATING A UNIQUE CO-WORKING ENVIRONMENT FOR START-UP CYBER COMPANIES. THE DESIGN FOR THE EXISTING BUILDING SHELL SPACE INCLUDED SEVEN OFFICE "INCUBATOR" SPACES, A CONFERENCE ROOM, BREAK AREA, COLLABORATIVE GATHERING AND FLEX SPACE, AND PRIVATE PHONE BOOTHS.*

*GLASS WALLS WITH SEMI-TRANSPARENT, TEXTURED FILM WERE INCORPORATED TO SEPARATE EACH OFFICE FROM THE COMMON SPACE WHILE STILL MAINTAINING A SENSE OF COLLABORATION BETWEEN SEPARATE BUSINESSES THAT OCCUPY THE SPACE. THE DESIGN DEPARTS FROM TRADITIONAL TREATMENT OF MATERIALS IN CERTAIN AREAS, WHILE ADDING HIGHLY FINISHED DETAILS IN OTHERS TO CREATE A VISUALLY STIMULATING AND DISTINCTIVE SPACE. CEILINGS ARE LEFT EXPOSED, EXISTING RUSTED METAL COLUMNS WERE LEFT UNFINISHED, AND A FARM TABLE MADE FROM RECLAIMED WOOD UNIFIES THE OPEN AREA. ADDITIONALLY, RED, BLUE, AND BLACK ARE USED IN FINISHES TO INCORPORATE THE UNIVERSITY'S COLOR PALETTES, AND AN ECLECTIC, MATERIALLY DIVERSE FEATURE WALL IN THE CENTER OF THE SPACE SERVES AS ANOTHER FOCAL POINT.*

