

Case Study: UCL – 8th Floor Teaching Labs, Offices & Breakout Spaces

Client: University College London

Location: 8th Floor, Academic Building

Sector: Higher Education / Science & Research

Duration: 6 Months

Contract Type: Refurbishment & Fit-Out

Completion: On Time

Project Overview

Following the successful delivery of previous lab spaces, UCL appointed Quest Interiors to refurbish the **8th floor** of one of their academic buildings. The brief included the creation of **high-spec teaching laboratories**, alongside **offices and breakout spaces** for postgraduate students and lab users.

Scope of Works

- Full strip-out and refurbishment of **teaching labs**, including installation of **lab benching**, **fume cupboards**, and **specialist services**.
- Fit-out of **office spaces** and **breakout areas** designed to support collaboration and wellbeing.
- Installation of **new services**, including gas, power, and data infrastructure.
- Construction of a **purpose-built external scaffold** to provide safe and independent access to the 8th floor, avoiding disruption to labs above and below.

Challenges & Solutions

Working at height within a live academic building required careful planning. Quest Interiors designed and installed an external scaffold to isolate site access and maintain building operations. The mix of lab and office environments demanded flexibility in design and delivery, which was achieved through close collaboration with UCL stakeholders.

Outcome

The project was completed on time over a 6-month programme. The new spaces now provide a modern, functional, and inspiring environment for both teaching and postgraduate research, further strengthening Quest Interiors' relationship with UCL.



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