

# Altieri

## JEWISH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

### ARCHITECT

Tod Williams Billie Tsien Architects | Partners

### LOCATION

New York, New York

### SIZE

85,000 SF

### COMPLETED

2022



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The Jewish Theological Seminary is one of the premier Jewish institutions in the United States. The spiritual and academic center added a new building to its historic Morningside Heights campus that consolidates its campus and fosters deeper collaboration with its neighbors, the city, and the broader global community. The building includes a 7000 sf centrally located sky-lit light court which provides a flexible forum for informal and formal gatherings including lectures, religious services, and more. In addition, there is a new library and 200-seat auditorium and performance space. A state-of-the-art climate-controlled special collections storage facility holds JTS's renowned collection of rare Judaica books, manuscripts, and scrolls. The academic floors are topped by an updated five-story residence hall, with new gathering spaces and kosher kitchens.

HVAC systems include several energy-saving features such as ventilation air energy recovery, demand-control ventilation, water-side economizer, variable frequency drives for fans and pumps, variable primary flow systems for chilled water and heating hot water distribution, high-efficiency, condensing-type gas-fired boilers, and a VRF system with dedicated outdoor air (DOAS) for residential floors. Efficient lighting and a high-performance building envelope to minimize site energy use intensity is an additional energy-saving features. Also vital to the project were ADA-compliant dorm rooms and accessible bathrooms and elevators for enhanced campus accessibility.