



On the Grounds

The variegated tiles on this staircase, located in one of the two structures with LEED Platinum certification on campus, are not simply a happy flourish intended to brighten your day. They were designed as an homage to the colors of the visible spectrum of light, which is an essential component of the work performed inside the building. The researchers here are working to harness the powers of the sun to produce chemical fuels and provide a more sustainable future. So where at Caltech can you get a glimpse of these prismatic steps? See below for the answer.

Answer: These colorful steps are part of the central staircase in the Earle M. Jorgensen Laboratory.