CONCRETE SUPPORTS COLORADO MOUNTAIN CAMPUS

Sitting at 8,000 ft, this Colorado Mountain campus had to be built to withstand life at high altitudes and a severe winter environment. That’s why Design West Architects chose a four-story all-concrete building design with masonry and stucco veneer on a solid concrete foundation for Western Colorado University Student Apartments. Modern solutions help keep students comfortable in snowy but sunny surroundings. Including innovative touches like roof coverings that are a combination of high impact concrete “S” tiles and standing seam metal roof panels over a full coverage ice and water shield underlayment.

01. A Substantial Foundation.
The strength is built-in with insulating concrete form (ICF) walls and the floors are a composite steel joist and concrete floor deck system with metal framed interior walls with high impact finishes and light gauge metal roof trusses.

02. Built-in Options.
The strength and durability of this all-concrete building system ensured that the rooms have a view in this building with almost 90,000 gsf of apartment style suites. Campus apartments offer 2, 3, and 4 bedroom units, providing 228+ beds in single and double occupancy bedroom options.

03. Thoughtful Shared Space.
Concrete offers peace and quiet, energy efficiency and fire resistance. The comforts of home meet the outdoorsy Colorado lifestyle with beautifully designed indoor and outdoor social gathering spaces as well as support spaces for study rooms, laundry, game rooms, community gardens, a recycle center, and housing office.