Loyola to Welcome Students to New School of Nursing Building
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Newswise - Construction crews have been busy putting the finishing touches on Loyola University Chicago's new Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing building in preparation for the first day of classes on Monday, Aug. 27, in Maywood.

Classes will begin at 9 a.m., and a reception will be held at 4:30 p.m. following a Mass and an academic convocation. A formal blessing and dedication also will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29, in the new building.

The 58,222 square-foot facility is connected to the Stritch School of Medicine Cuneo Center, which represents Loyola University Chicago's commitment to interprofessional education and research.

This state-of-the art facility houses the new Walgreen Family Virtual Hospital, which includes a clinical simulation lab and a home-care environment where nursing, medical and allied health students can learn and work together to better care for patients. The building also includes a 165-seat lecture hall, classrooms, group study rooms, conference rooms, faculty offices, a light-filled atrium and a cafe. This space also includes the Galante Information Commons, an integrated learning environment featuring an electronic health sciences library.

Work also has been done on the lower level of the Stritch School of Medicine to complete a new simulation, education and advanced procedures performance assessment center. Students from various disciplines will work together to replicate patient-care scenarios. This will allow students to hone their technical, communication, critical-thinking and decision-making skills under the supervision of experienced professionals.