

## **KELLOGG BUILDS A HOME FOR UNDERGRADUATES**

EVANSTON, Ill. --- The lower level of the 555 Clark Building – renovated during the summer – is now home to classes in the new undergraduate certificate program launched by the Kellogg School of Management.

The space that had been used for training classes by the former Traffic Institute and then the Center for Public Safety until 2006 was totally revamped.

It now houses classes for 44 students seeking the Financial Economics Certificate, a joint offering of Kellogg and the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences.

Two existing classrooms were gutted and renovated and have a similar design as other Kellogg classrooms, according to Elena Romero-Jensen, project manager for Facilities Management. Four group study rooms were built and include computers, printers and displays. A former dining area was converted into a student lounge with furniture and equipment. Two offices were renovated for administrative staff.

The Financial Economics Certificate students meet the prerequisites in advanced calculus and linear algebra, probability and statistics, advanced econometrics, and microeconomics. The class includes 34 students from the Weinberg College, majoring in either biological science, economics, mathematics or the Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences Program. Nine students are enrolled in the McCormick School of Engineering, in the following departments: biomedical engineering, electrical engineering and computer science, engineering sciences and applied mathematics, and industrial engineering and management sciences. One student is from the School of Communication.

Eleven members of the class are seniors while 33 students are juniors. Thirty-two of the students are pursuing two areas of study, either as a major or minor, and four students are pursuing three areas of study. The class is made up of 13 female students and 31 male students.

They are taking four courses this year: principles of finance, investments, derivatives and value investing.

Students seeking the Managerial Analytics Certificate offered by Kellogg in conjunction with the McCormick School of Engineering and Applied Science will begin classes in September 2008. Those students will take these courses: analytical decision modeling on spreadsheets, principles of finance, pricing, and operations and supply chain strategy.

“The collaborative effort between Kellogg and the Weinberg and McCormick schools is designed to enhance the analytical strengths and technical skills of Northwestern juniors and seniors who meet the program's rigorous criteria,” said Kathleen Hagerty, Kellogg's senior associate dean: faculty and research. Applications for admission to both certificate offerings will be due in the spring.

Non-Kellogg classes also use the classrooms, which are scheduled by the Office of the Registrar.