

DIALOG

EXCHANGE RESIDENCE AND UBC BUS
EXCHANGE

Redefining transit-oriented development on a university campus

Higher Education



LOCATION

Vancouver, BC

CLIENT

University of British Columbia /
TransLink

COMPLETION

2019

COLLABORATORS

PFS Studio

Glottman Simpson

AME Consulting Group

AES Engineering

BKL Consultants

Bunt & Associates

Core Group Consultants

Heatherbrea Builders

DIALOG SERVICES

Architecture

Interior Design

Landscape Architecture

Sustainability + Building Performance

Consulting

This unique transit-oriented project is the product of a long-term development collaboration between DIALOG, the University of British Columbia (UBC), and TransLink. UBC wanted to build more student beds and TransLink had a mandate to deliver a new bus exchange, but both were running into space constraints on campus. The team came up with an innovative solution to the problem: build up, rather than out. The result was a new 650-bed student residence built on a two-storey podium over much of the second-busiest TransLink bus exchange in the Lower Mainland, thereby maximizing the density and land use on this part of campus. DIALOG also provided LEED® consulting services on this project in which it has gained a LEED® Certification at the Gold Level.