

DIALOG

CAPU LONSDALE

Bringing the outdoors inside

Higher Education, Office & Workplace



LOCATION

North Vancouver, BC

CLIENT

Capilano University

COMPLETION

2020

COLLABORATORS

Turner Construction

WSP

Coastal Integrated Solutions

DIALOG SERVICES

Interior Design

Mechanical Engineering

Capilano University wanted to create something special with its new urban campus, known as CapU Lonsdale. The space had to support a progressive learning environment; be flexible and multi-functional; and be accessible to and a part of the local community. It also had to create its own unique identity while still connecting back to the main campus. A discovery and analysis process gave rise to a novel concept that would bridge the two locations: if the Lonsdale campus wasn't going to be in the forest, why not bring the forest into the space? The Interior Design team chose to do that by exploring the metaphorical connection and experiences between a journey through education and an adventure in the nearby forest.