Rainscreen Walls Integration of New Building **Envelope Systems**

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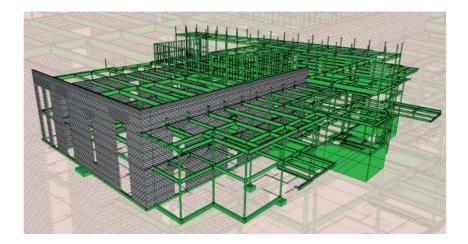


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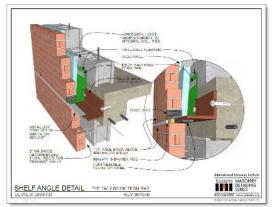
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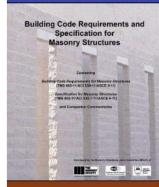


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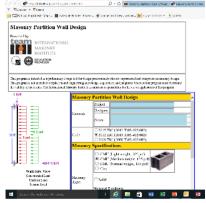


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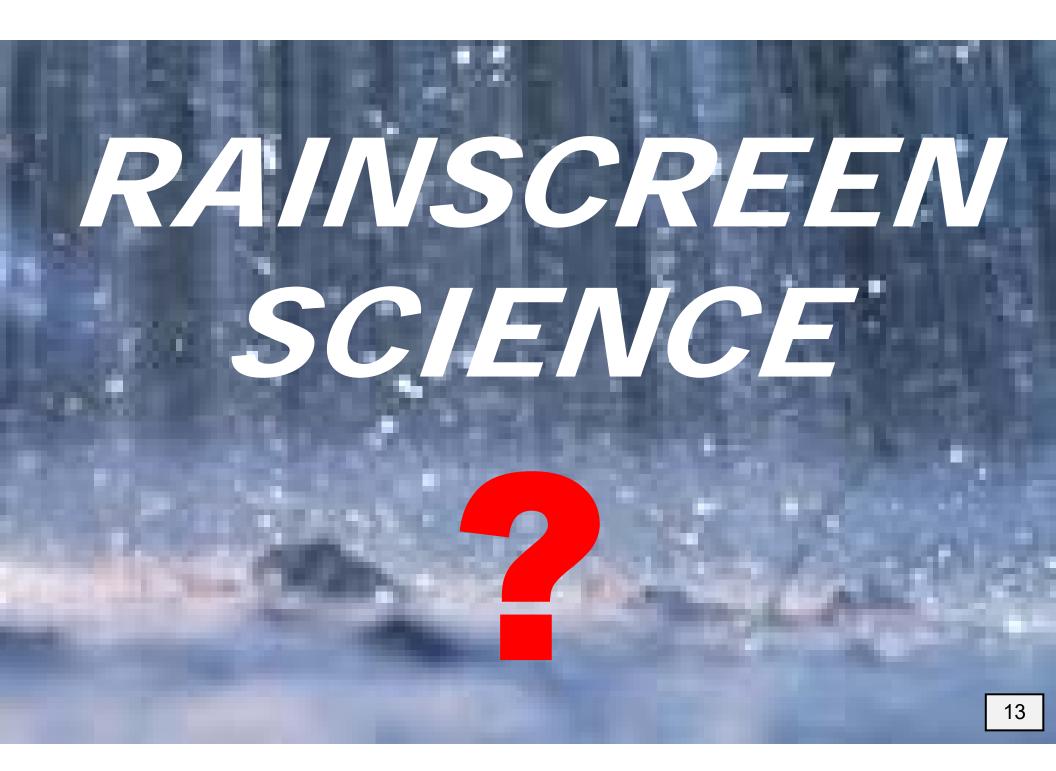
2. Solving Constructability Issues Details & Construction Guidelines

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Integration of New Building Envelope Systems - Rainscreen Walls

SECTION 1

Questions, Basics & Principles



Questions

- What is a Rainscreen?
- What is a Ventilated Facade?
- Do Pressure Equalized Rainscreens exist?
- How much open air ventilation is required?
- How wide should the air space be?
- Are Rainscreens really more energy efficient?
- What about construction tolerances?
- What constructability issues have evolved?

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION (QUESTION) RELATED TO THE SCIENCE, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE INTEGRATION OF NEW BUILDING ENVELOPE SYSTEMS -RAINSCREEN WALLS?

Integration of New Building Envelope Systems - Rainscreen Walls Science Meets Design Design Meets the Realities of Construction

What is the Initial Cost of Rainscreen Wall Systems?



WHAT IS A RAINSCREEN?

Rainscreen Timeline

- 1946 The Influence of Moisture on the Heat Conductance of Brick (C.R. Johansson)
- 1953 Engineering Institute of Canada (N.B. Hutcheon)
- 1962 Norwegian Building Institute (Birkeland)
- 1963 Rain Penetration and Its Control (National Research Council Canada, G.K. Garden)
- 1994 Brick Masonry Rainscreen Walls (Brick Industry Association Technical Note 27-Revised)
- 1998 Pressure Equalization in Rainscreen Wall Systems (Institute for Research in Construction Canada)
- Today Modified Rainscreen Systems
- Today Ventilated Facades
- (AAMA 509-09) "Drained and Backed Ventilated RSW

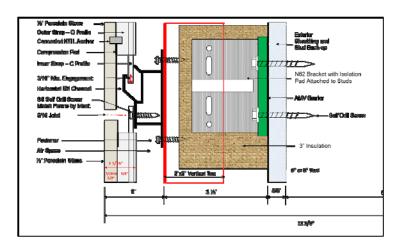
Rainscreen Wall Principal

Prompted by Birkeland, in 1963, Canadian National Research Council's Division of Building Research published Canadian Building Digest (CBD) 40, "Rain Penetration and Its Control".

This publication, which remains a prime reference source on the subject, popularized the term rainscreen principle. G. K. Garden, who authored CBD 40 on wind-induced moisture penetration wrote:

"It is not conceivable that a building designer can prevent the exterior surface of a wall from getting wet nor that he can guarantee that no openings will develop to permit passage of water. It has, however, been shown that through-wall penetration of rain can be prevented by incorporating an air chamber into the joint or wall where the air pressure is always equal to that on the outside. In essence, the outer layer (wythe) is then an open rainscreen that prevents wetting of the actual wall or air barrier of the building".

Pressure-Equalized Rainscreen Wall

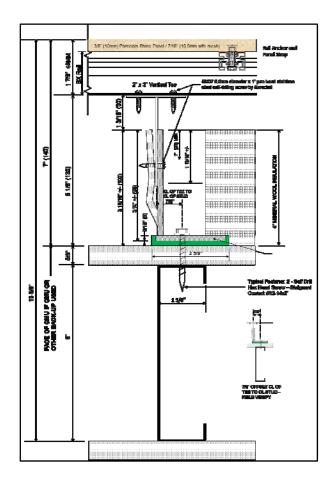


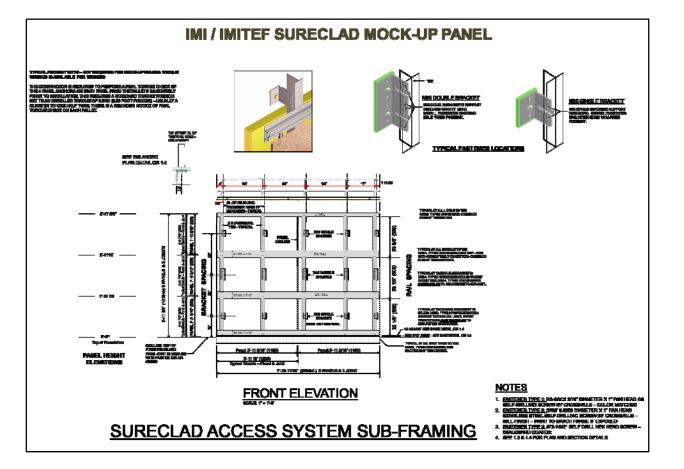
Pressure-Equalized rainscreens require compartments in order to create pressure equalization. This is difficult to achieve with sub-frame systems and open joints and is expensive.

In general, conventional-modified rainscreens are NOT pressure equalized.

Open joints

Complexities of Rainscreen Design





Conventional – Modified Rainscreens

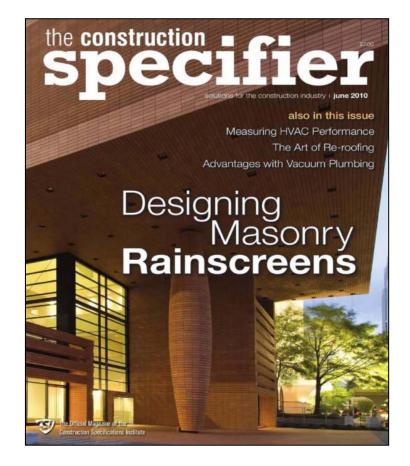
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The original rainscreen wall (1946) consisted of a lightweight protective cladding installed on the outside of a <u>drained and vented</u> <u>air space</u> on the exterior of a structural wall.

A second line of defense against rain ingress is provided. Such walls are considered to be rainscreen walls. (Statement is based on 1946 original definition and modified conditions) *Evolution of Wall Design for Controlling Rain Penetration Construction Technology Update No. 9, Dec. 1997 by G.A. Chown, W.C. Brown and G.F. Poirier*

Conventional – Modified Rainscreens



"When the cladding was separated from the support wall...

to break the capillary forces of moisture thru a masonry mass wall...

the rain screen wall concept was born."

Sovinski & Conway International Masonry Institute The Construction Specifier 2010

WHY Modified Rainscreen Walls?

- New building materials Thin Claddings
- The need for thinner walls
- Initial cost considerations
- New energy codes more insulation
- New fire codes NFPA 285

Whenever a modification is made, the overall performance of the assembly must be assessed to ensure that the individual components and the assembly as a whole are capable of handling the water to which they will be exposed in their service environments over their design service lives.

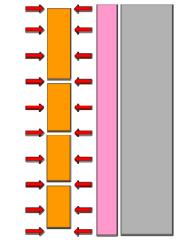
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Understanding Rainscreens

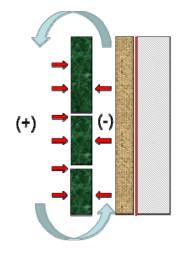
A "rainscreen wall" is designed and built according to what Kirby Garden referred to as the "open rainscreen principle, whose basic premise is the control of **ALL forces** that can carry rain to the inside. (Air Pressure)

A cavity wall or any wall with an air space that is vented (top and bottom) is a modified rainscreen or a ventilated facade, not a PER.

These walls have only partial pressurization and would require compartments to be a true PER.

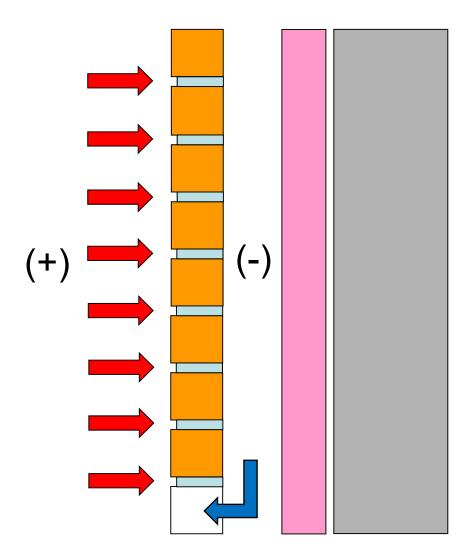


Pressure Equalized

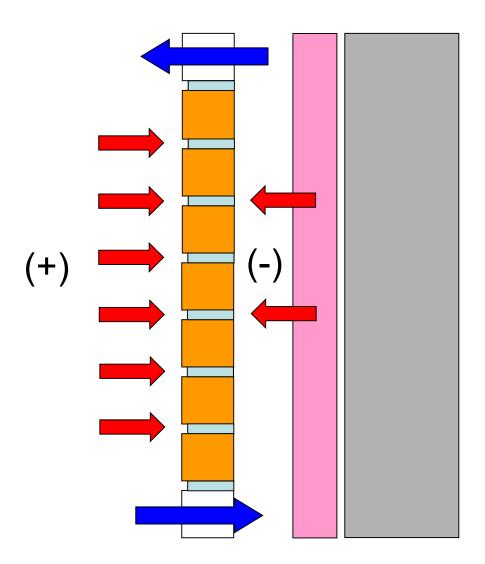


Ventilated Facade

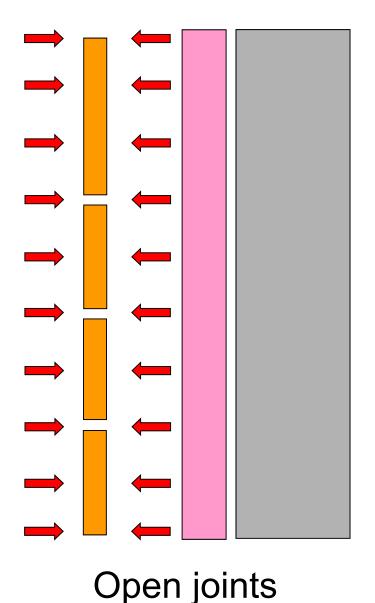
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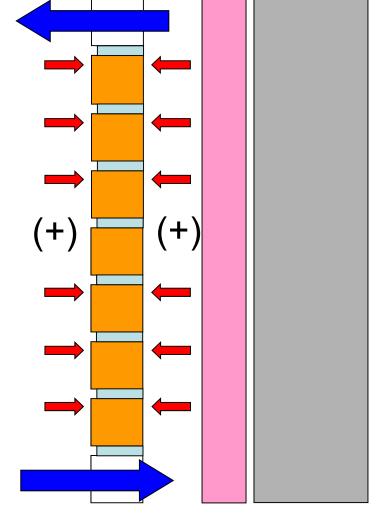


Ventilated Drainage Wall



Pressure-Equalized Rainscreen Wall

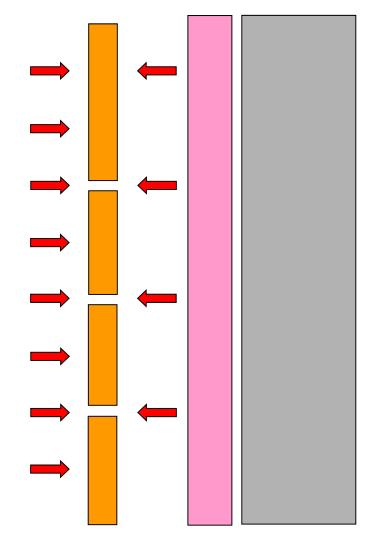




Closed joints – openings top and bottom

Ventilated Facade - Rainscreen Wall

Only Partial Pressurization



Most common type of rainscreen

Summary - Rainscreen Walls

Elements of Rainscreen Wall System

- Vented Cladding
- Air Space
- Air / Moisture/ Vapor Barrier on Support Wall
- A means for Drainage
- Air Space Compartmentalization for Pressure Equalized Rainscreens

Building Code Requirements

Prescriptive Design

SECTION 1403 - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1403.2 Weather protection.
 - Exterior walls shall provide the building with a (1) weather-resistant exterior wall envelope.
 - The exterior wall envelope shall include (2) flashing.
 - The exterior wall envelope shall be designed and constructed in such a manner as to (3) prevent the accumulation of water within the wall assembly by providing a (4) water-resistive barrier behind the exterior veneer, as described in Section 1404.2, (5) and a means for draining water that enters the assembly to the exterior.
 - Protection against (6) condensation in the exterior wall assembly shall be provided in accordance with Section 1405.3.
 - Exceptions: Alternative Design

Building Code Requirements

Alternative Design

Exceptions:

- A weather-resistant *exterior wall envelope* shall not be required over concrete or masonry walls designed in accordance with Chapters 19 and 21, respectively.
 - 2. Compliance with the requirements for a means of drainage, and the requirements of Sections 1404.2 and 1405.4, shall not be required for an *exterior wall envelope* that has been demonstrated through testing to resist wind-driven rain, including joints, penetrations and intersections with dissimilar materials, in accordance with ASTM E 331 under the following conditions:
 - 2.1. *Exterior wall envelope* test assemblies shall include at least one opening, one control joint, one wall/eave interface and one wall sill. All tested openings and penetrations shall be representative of the intended end-use configuration.
 - 2.2. *Exterior wall envelope* test assemblies shall be at least 4 feet by 8 feet (1219 mm by 2438 mm) in size.
 - 2.3. Exterior wall envelope assemblies shall be tested at a minimum differential pressure of 6.24 pounds per square foot (psf) (0.297 kN/ m²).
 - 2.4. *Exterior wall envelope* assemblies shall be subjected to a minimum test exposure duration of 2 hours.

The *exterior wall envelope* design shall be considered to resist wind-driven rain where the results of testing indicate that water did not penetrate control joints in the *exterior wall* envelope, joints at the perimeter of openings or intersections of terminations with dissimilar materials.

3. Exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS) complying with Section 1408.4.1. 1. Exception: IBC Code indicates exterior wall envelope is not required with masonry backing designed by Chapter 19 & 21. <u>However, MSJC and industry references still</u> <u>require water penetration resistance.</u>

2. Exception for drainage, flashing and WRB: Proprietary systems for exterior walls that have demonstrated <u>through testing</u> to resist wind-driven rain, including joints, penetrations and intersections with adjacent dissimilar materials <u>in accordance with ASTM E 331⁽¹⁾</u> under the following conditions: ...

(1) ASTM E 331: Standard Test Method for Water Penetration of Exterior Windows, Skylights, Doors, and Curtain Walls by Uniform Static Air Pressure Difference

Alternate Design – IBC 2012

IBC 104.11 Alternate materials design....

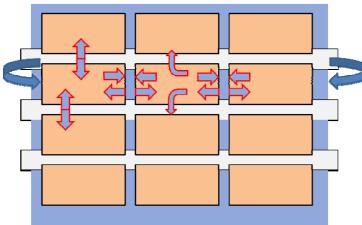
- Equivalent: Quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety per code
- Submit: Research reports, test data, engineering, calculations, and as required

<u>IT METAL STUD BACK-UP</u> ISE VERTICAL TEES AT 32" O.C. MAX. (EVERY OTHER STU	D)
Check BX wall rail for bi-axial bending ASD -6063 Aluminum, F _{bx} = 15000 psi, F _{by} = 20000 psi	
ssume panel fastener is at mid-span of rail	
$Ax = 30 \times 32/4 = 240$ in-#	
Λy = 48 × 2 × 32/4 = 768 in-#	
x = 0.25 in ³	
y = 0.14 in ³	
_{bx} = 240/0.25 = 960 psi	
_{py} = 768/0.14 = 5485 psi	
Check interaction	
60/15000 + 5485/20000 = 0.34 < 1.0 OK	
ssume panel fastener is at end of 12" cantilever	
1x = 30 x 12 = 360 in-#	
1y = 48 x 2 x 12 = 1152 in-#	
x = 0.25 in ³	
$y = 0.14 \text{ in}^3$	
x = 360/0.25 = 1440 psi	
_{ov} = 1152/0.14 = 8228 psi	

TECHNICAL DATA	NORM	INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ASTM	PORCELAIN STONE® AVERAGE VALUE
COEFFICIENT OF LINEAR THERMAL-EXPANSION	ASTM C372	-	$\partial \frac{400}{31} = 7.35 \times 10^{4^{\circ}} C^{-1}$
FROST RESISTANCE	ASTM C1026	NO DA MA GE	NO DAMAGE
	ASTM C650	NO DAMAGE	NO DAMAGE
RESISTANCE TO STAINS	UNI EN ISO 10545-14	-	24
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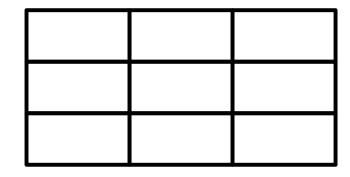
How Much Ventilation – Open Joints?

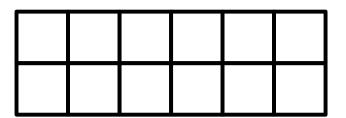
Air flow from head joints and bed joints





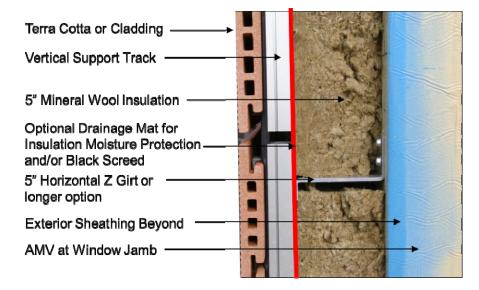
- Ventilation
 - Panel Size
 - Joint Width
 - Panel Lap Configuration
 - Total Area of Open Joints / Total Wall Area

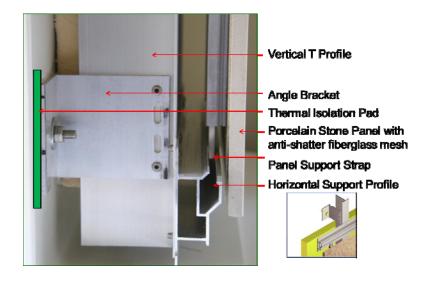


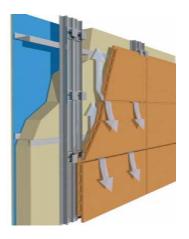


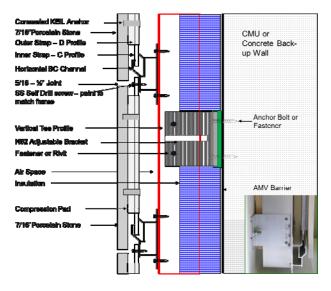


Air Space?



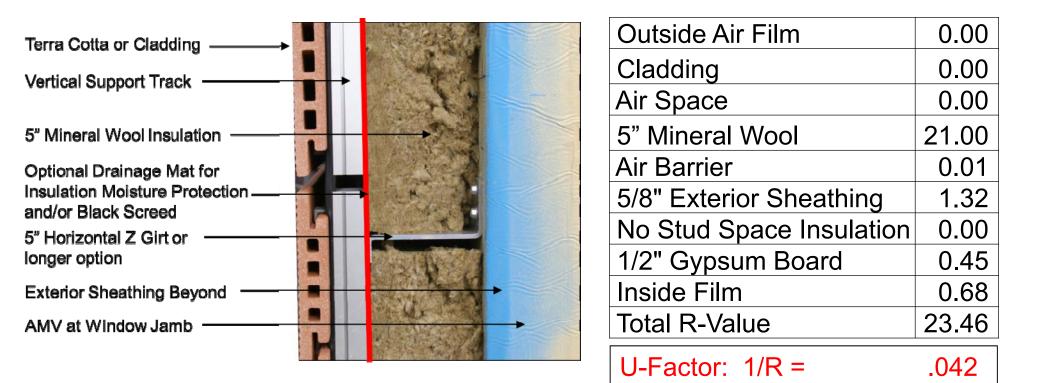






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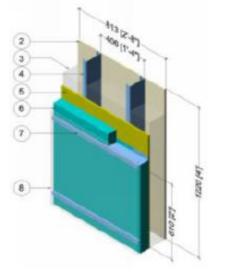
Are Rainscreens more Energy Efficient



Thermal Transmittance

5.2 Thermal Transmittance

The basis of calculation and reporting of thermal transmittances is established by three categories of thermal anomalies as summarized below.



Clear Field Anomalies – thermal bridges uniformly distributed by a sufficient amount such that they can be assumed to modify the thermal transmittance of the assembly and are considered not practical to account for on an individual basis for whole building calculations.

Examples are brick ties, girts supporting cladding, and structural framing. A steel stud assembly with horizontal z-girts is shown to the left as an example.





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Types of Rainscreen Wall Systems

- Terra Cotta
- Natural Stone
- Porcelain Stone
- Calcium Silicates
- Metal Panels
- GFRC Panels
- Fiber Cement Composites
- Photovoltaic
- High Pressure Laminates
- Precast Panels

- Brick, CMU & Other
- Resin Panels
- GKD Media Mesh
- LED Lucem Translucent Concrete
- Thin Brick Cladding
- Glass
- Thin stone on aluminum Panels – Stonelite
- Adhered Veneer Systems

Integration of New Building Envelope Systems - Rainscreen Walls

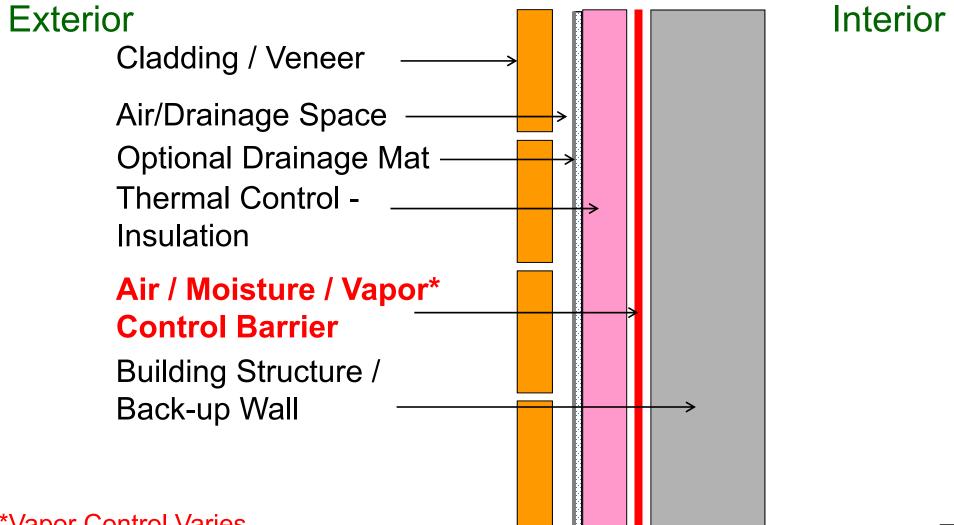
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Science Meets Design Design Meets the Realities of Construction SOLVING CONSTRUCTABILITY ISSUES

Constructability Issues

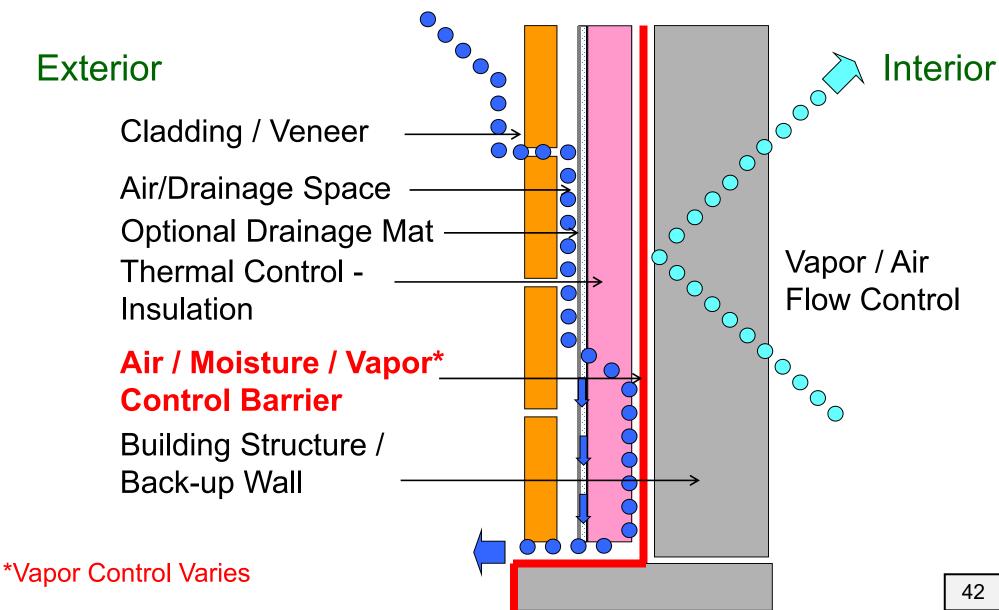
- Tolerances Variations Metric (SI)
- Tolerances Wall Alignment
- Tolerances Windows, Doors and All Openings
- Tolerances Overall Dimensions
- Tolerances All Dimensions
- Tolerances Transitions / AMV Barriers

Basic Wall Components

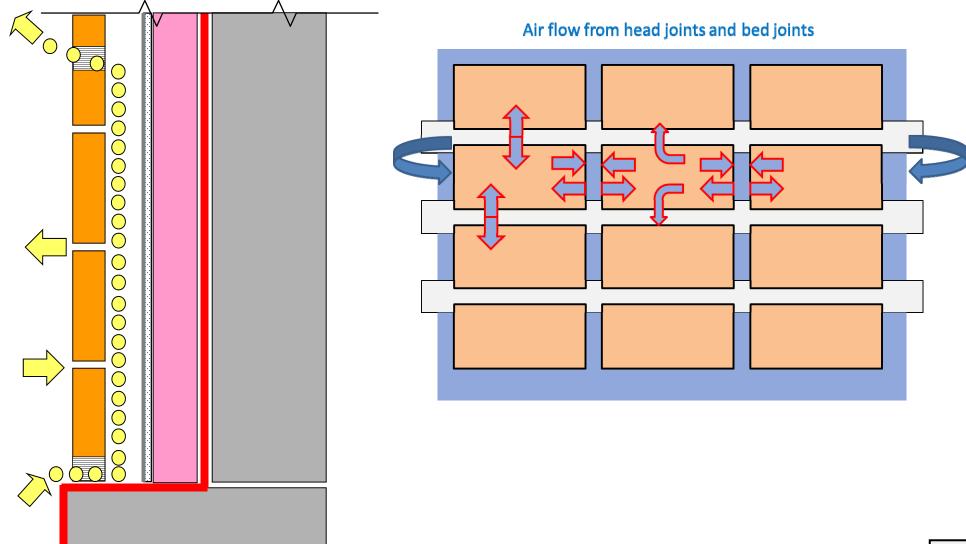


*Vapor Control Varies

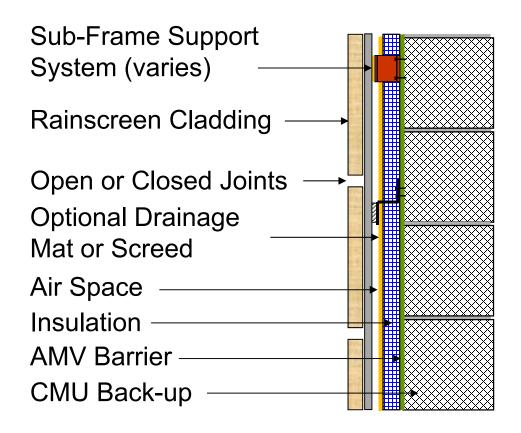
Drainage & Moisture Control



Air Flow

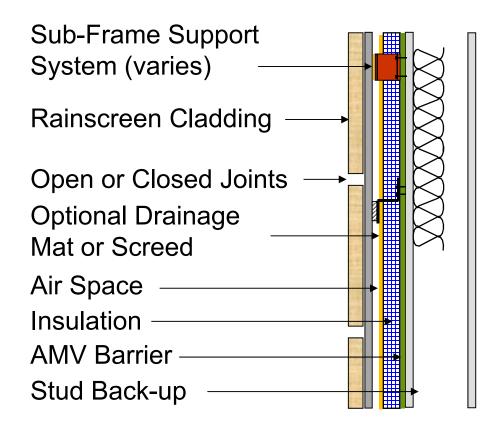


Rainscreen Wall – System Components



CMU Back-up

CMU allows for greater flexibility for the attachment of the sub-frame system



Stud Back-up

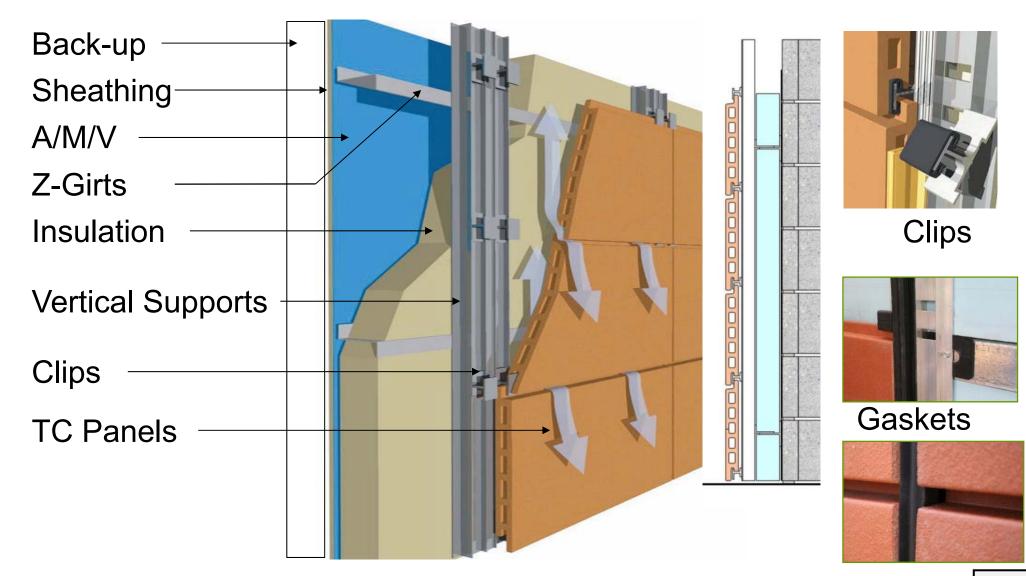
Rainscreen Wall Sub-Frame Brackets & Tees



Rainscreen Wall Elements Brackets, Tees and Rails



Rainscreen Wall Elements



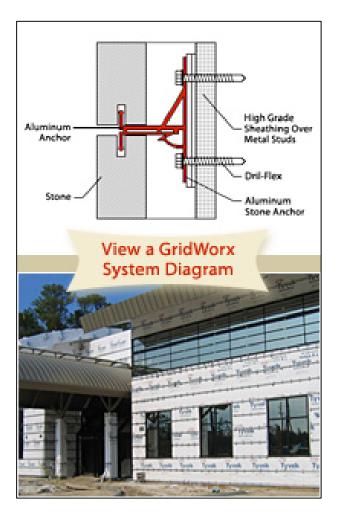
Other Sub-Frame Systems

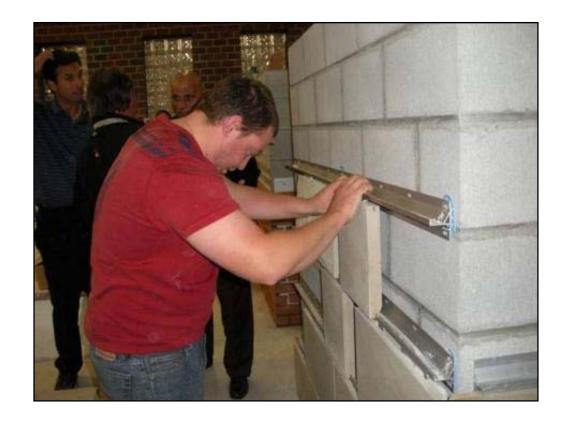




DOW Knight-Wall System

Other Sub-Frame Systems





Gridworx

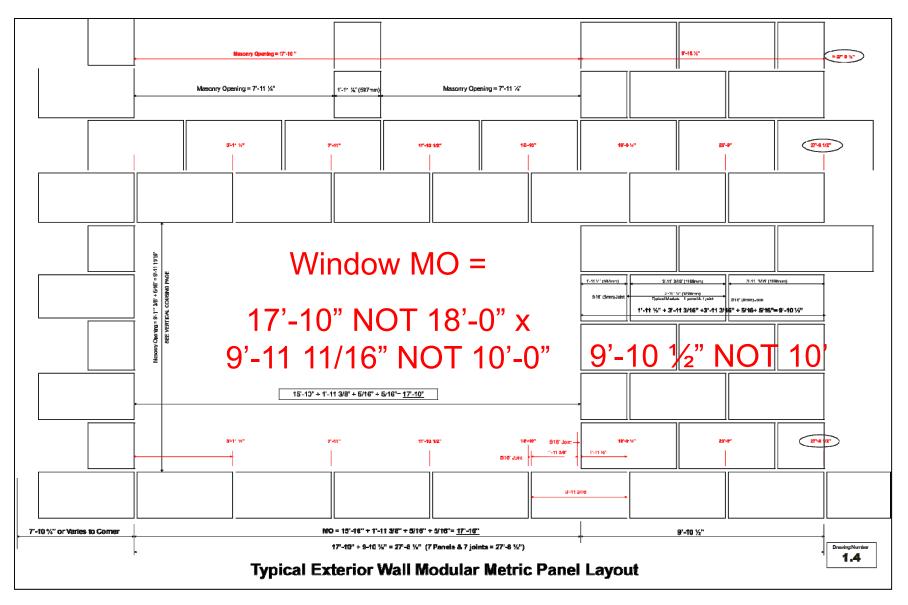


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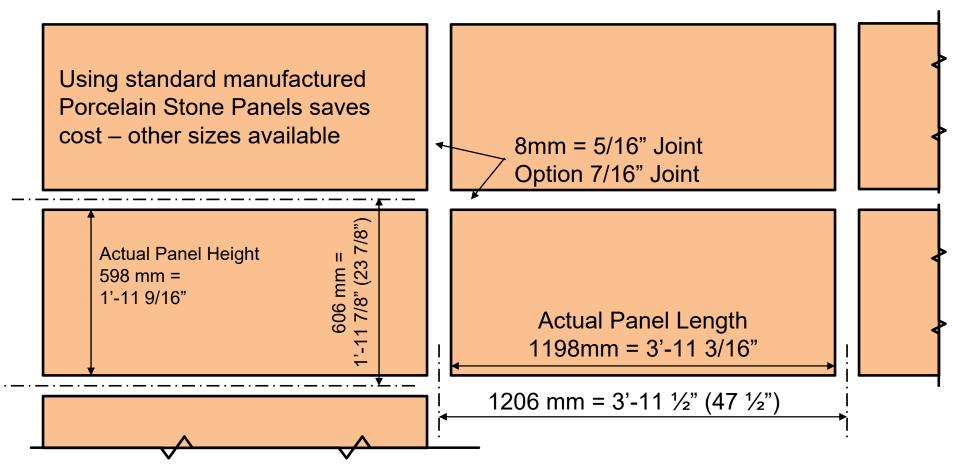
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Engineer: Macchi Engineers
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Modular Layout

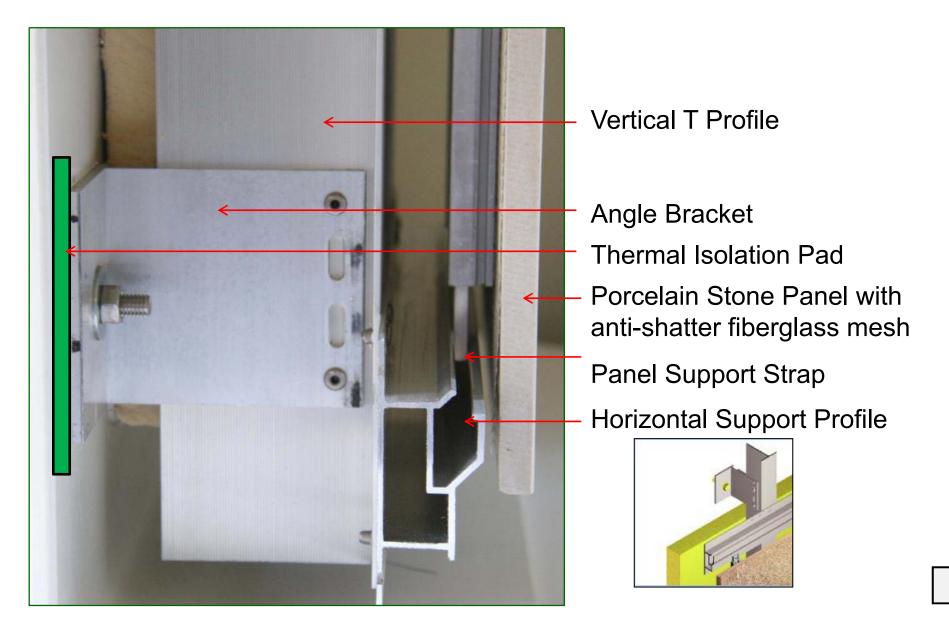


Panels are Metric Sizes – Alert Architects

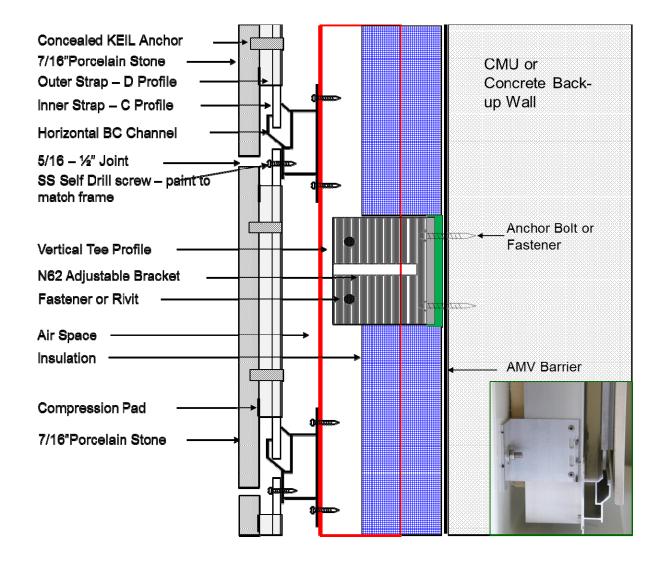


Standard Thickness Vary: 3/8" to $\frac{1}{2}$ " (10mm to 12 mm) up to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " (30 mm) 2'X4' Module (23 7/8" x 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ " with 5/16" joints // 24" x 47 5/8" with 7/16" Joints

Porcelain Stone Ventilated Access System

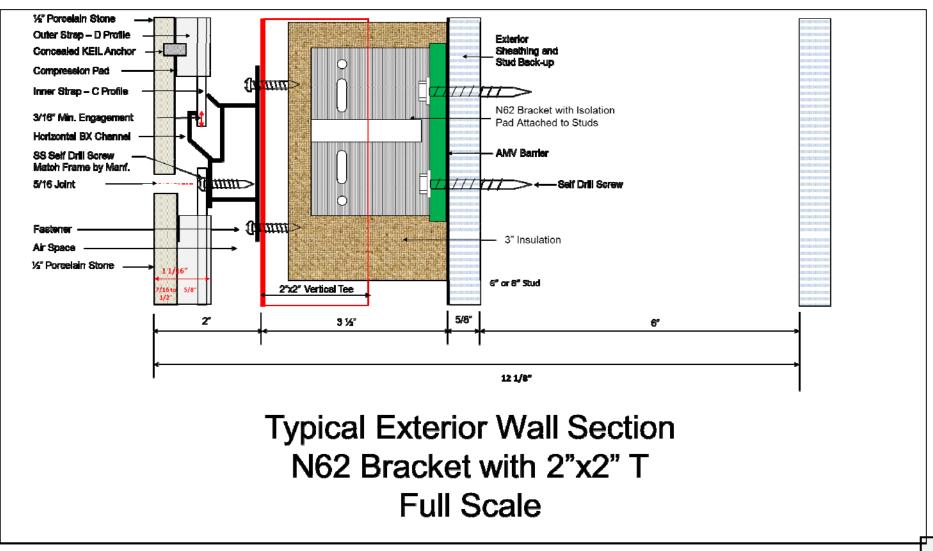


Porcelain Stone Tile Ventilated Facades



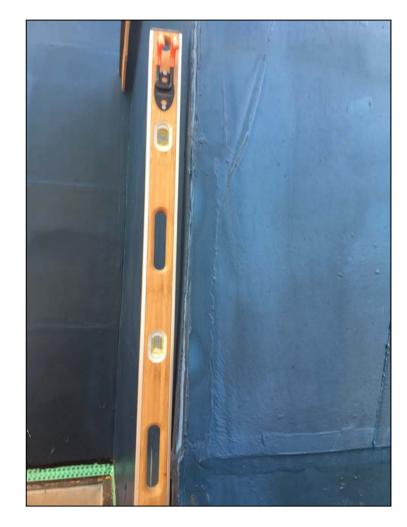
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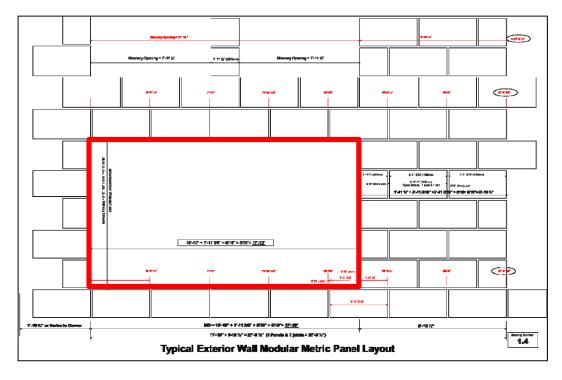
Typical Wall Section



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1 – Check Stud Wall Installation Tolerances





ALL OPENINGS AND DIMENSIONS

REPORT DEFICIENCIES

PLUMB / LEVEL

2 – Air / Moisture / Vapor Barrier & Flashing







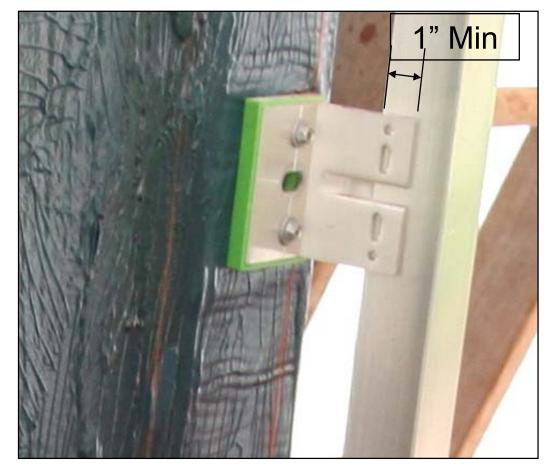
3 – Bracket Installation





4 – Tee Installation





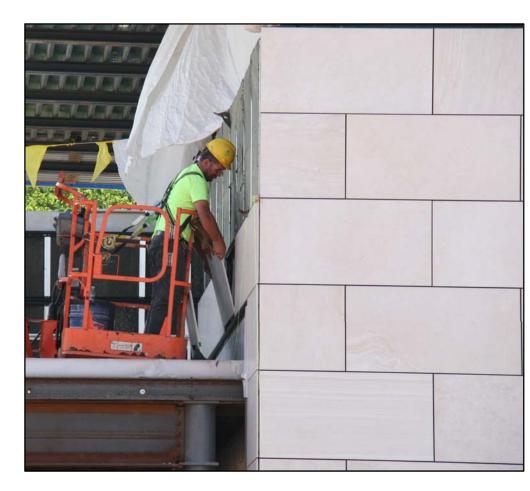
5 - Insulation & 6 – AVB Transitions



AVB Transitions at Openings

7 - Horizontal Rails and 8 - Panels







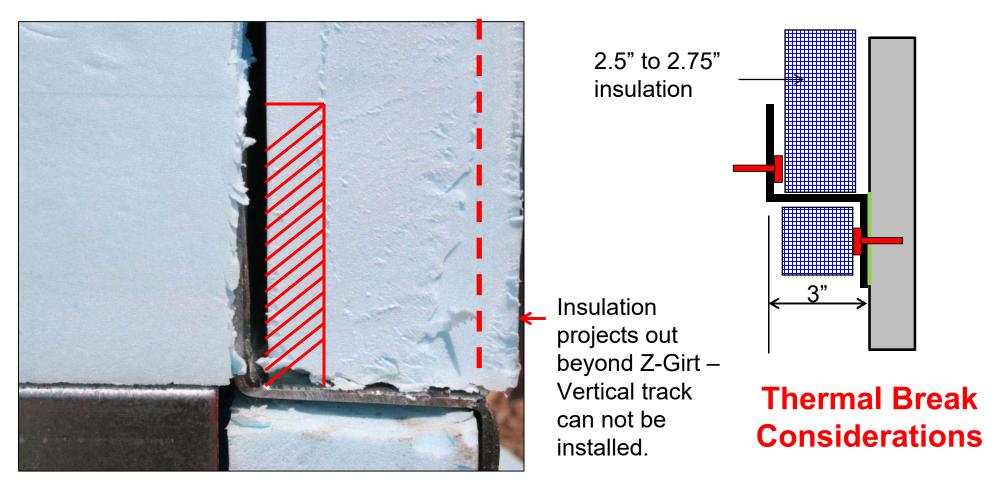






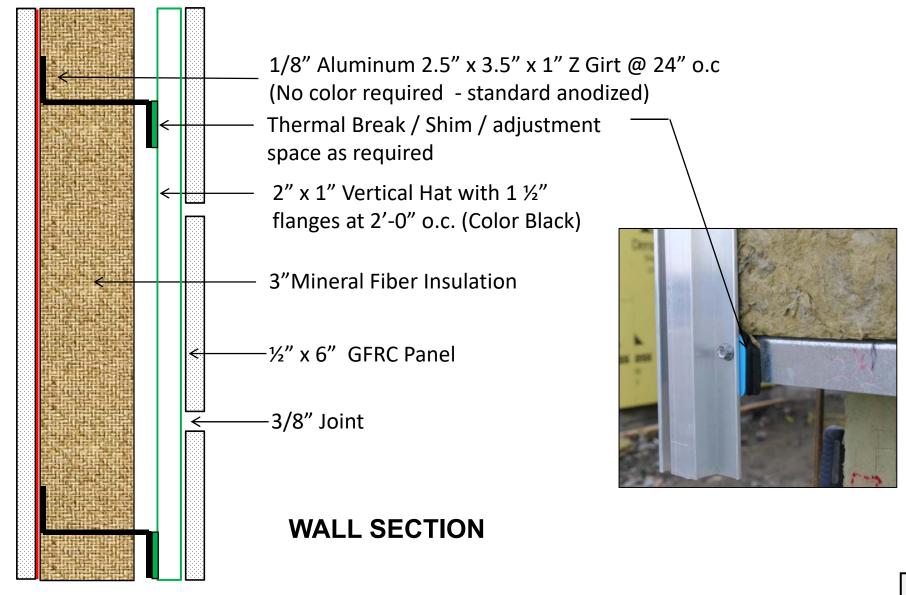


Rigid Insulation & Z-Girts



Rigid Insulation: Z-Girt should be $\frac{1}{2}$ " longer than insulation to allow for Z girt thickness and screw heads or cut will be required.

Engineered Maximum Shim Size



Insulation



Insulation



Taped Insulation Joints



Tight Insulation Joints

Insulation Options



Mineral Fiber



Polyisocyanurate *Value Varies



Extruded Polystyrene (XPS)



Spray Polyurethane Foam (SPF)

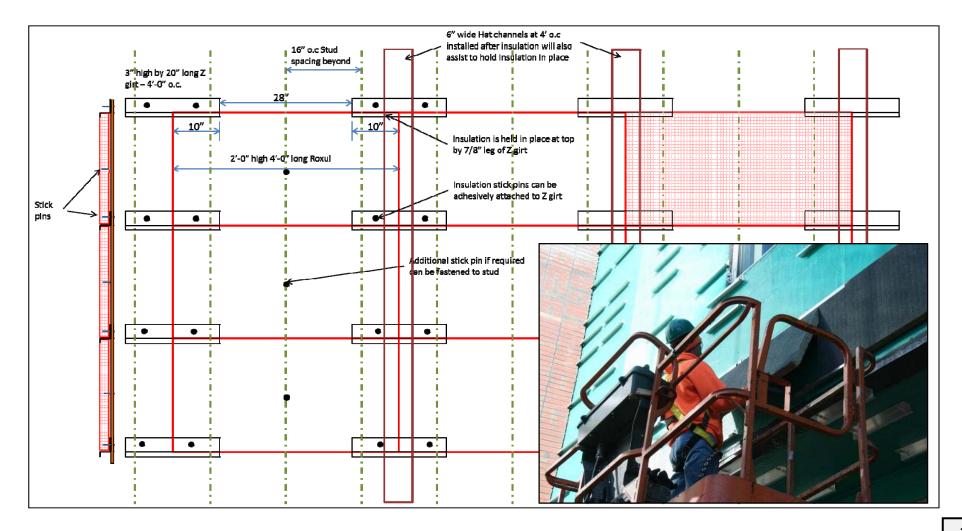


High R - Extruded Polystyrene (XPS) 1.75" = R-10 // 2.125" = R-12



Insulation

Mineral Wool Insulation – Layout Pattern & Fasteners



Air/Moisture/Vapor Barrier



A/M/V Barrier, Transitions and Flashing

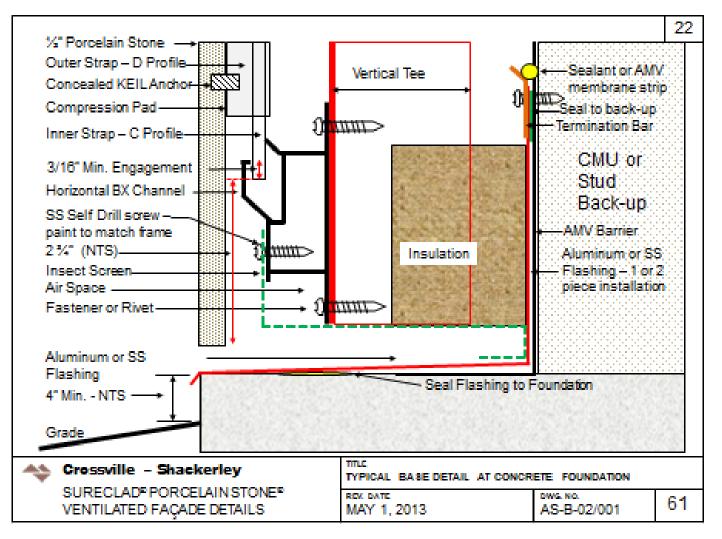
Sub-Frame & Downspout



Hat Channel & Insulation



Base Flashing Details



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Hat Channel & Insulation

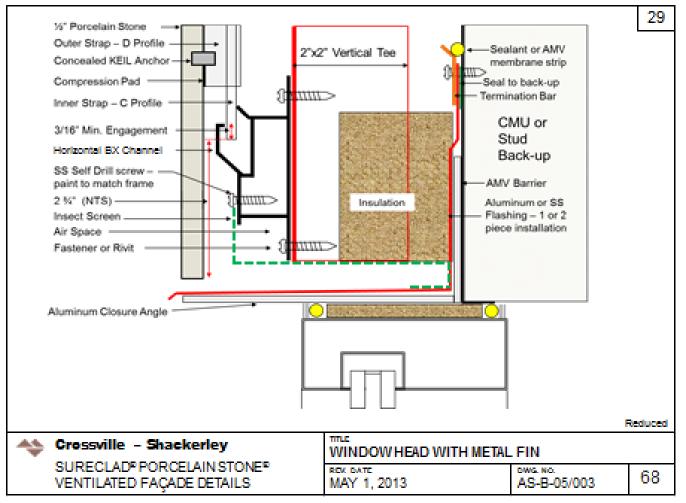


Top of Wall at Sill



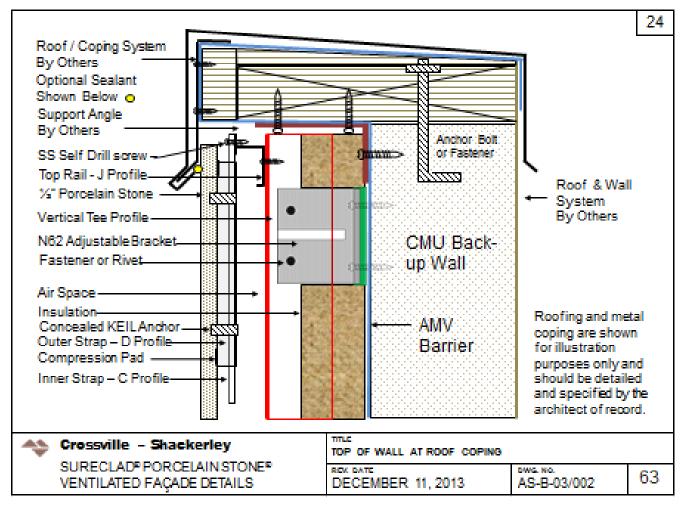
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Window Head Detail



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Top Of Wall Detail

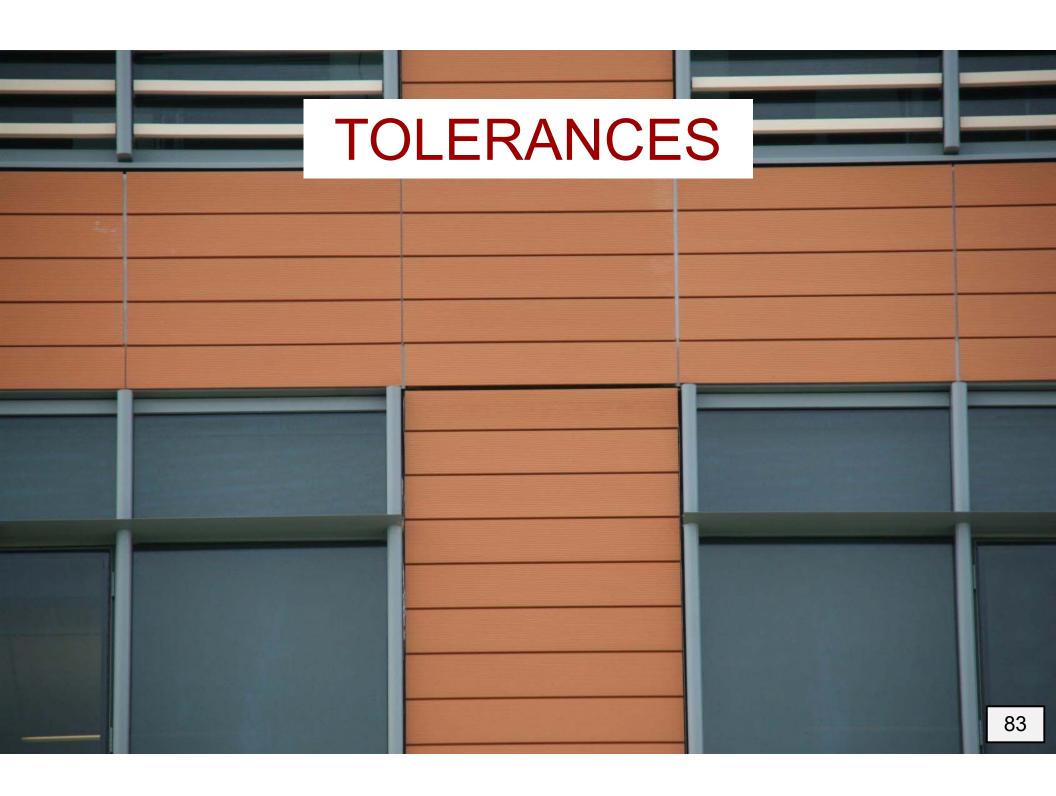


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Windows



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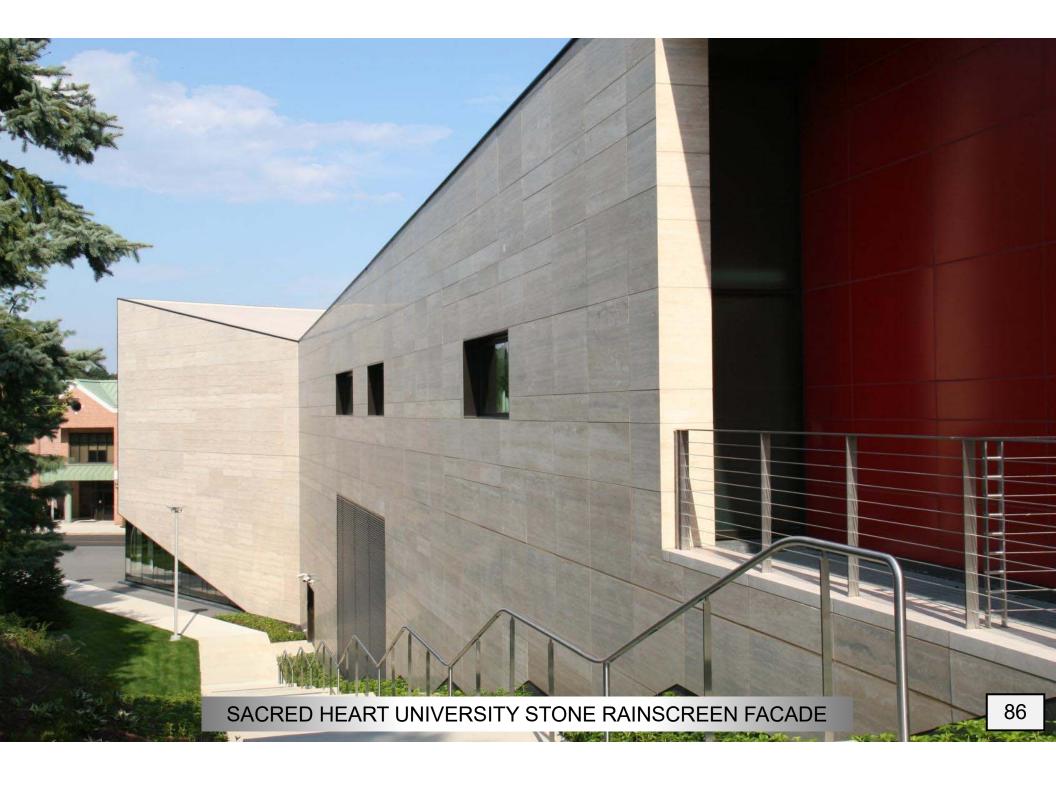






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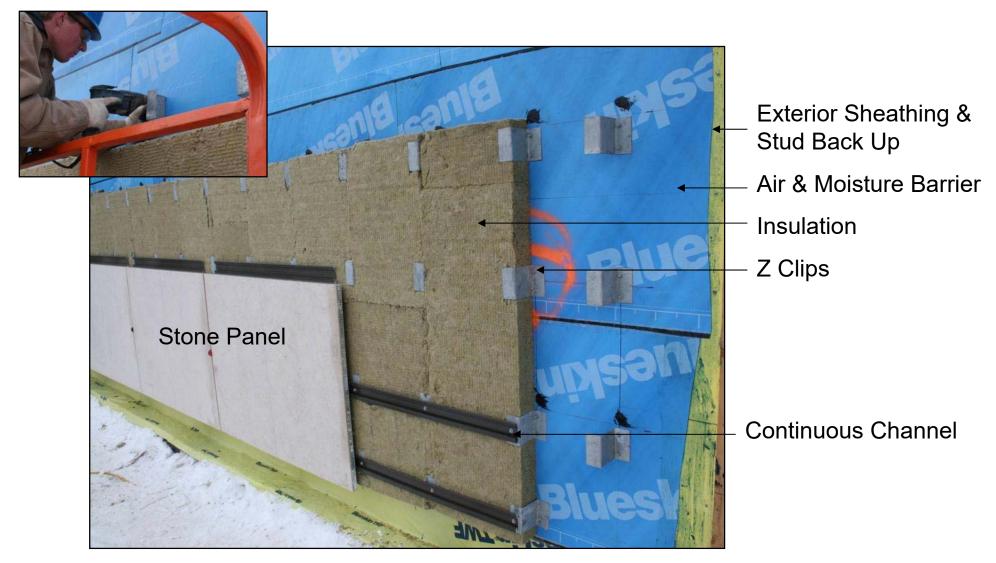




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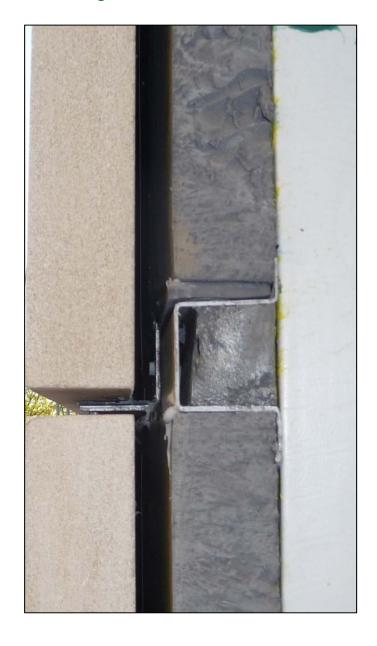
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Custom Stone Panel System







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Rainscreen Wall System

SOLVING CONSTRUCTABILITY ISSUES

Science – Design – FIELD EXPERIENCE

TEAMWORK Science, Design and Field Experience





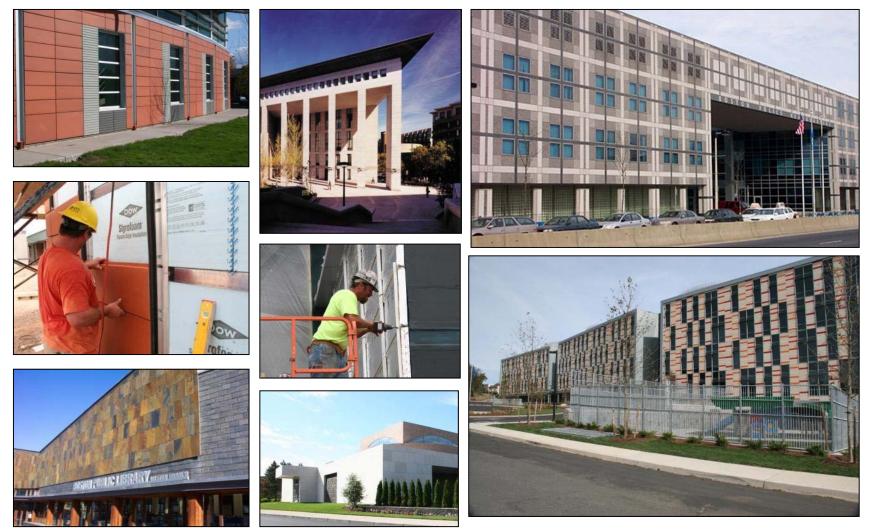






Mason / Tile / Rainscreen contractors have been trained by IMI and have installed stone, terra cotta, GFRC and other rainscreen wall systems.

Teamwork & Field Experience



Mason / Stone / Tile Contractors and Craftworkers have been installing cladding systems for many years including new rainscreen wall systems.

Integration of New Building Envelope Systems - Rainscreen Walls

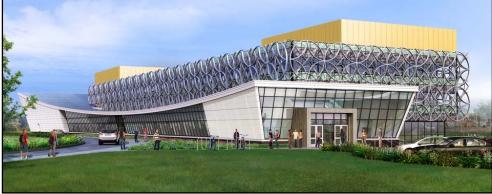
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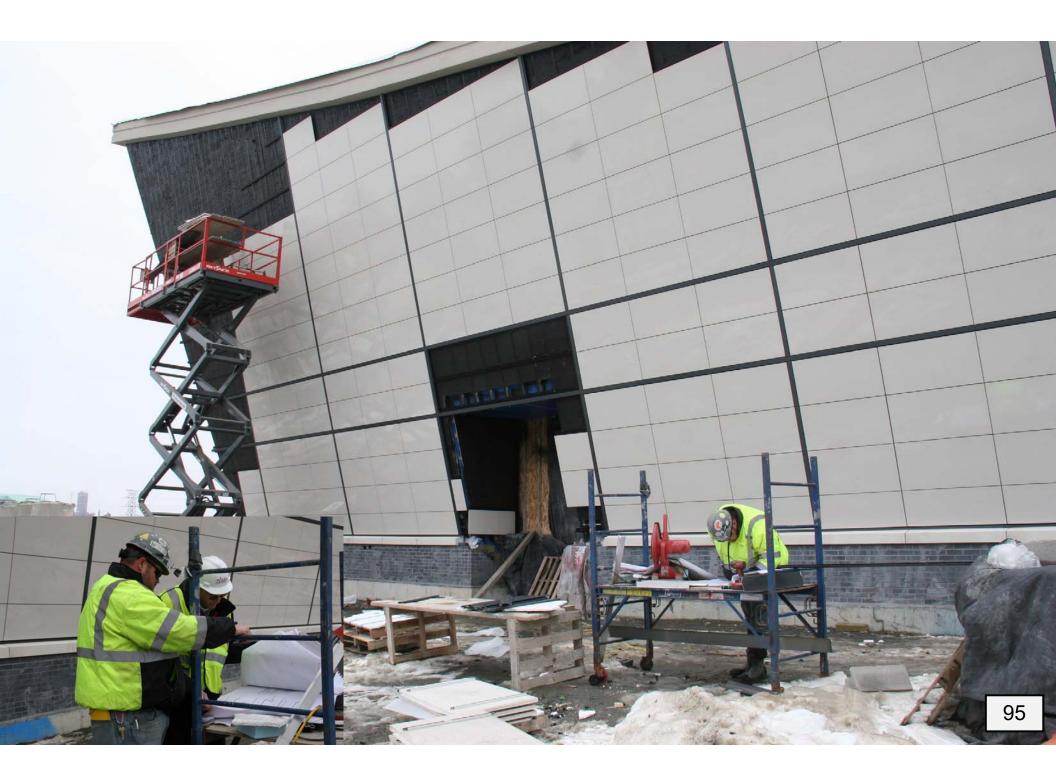
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WARREN HARDING HIGH SCHOOL BRIDGEPORT, CT PORCELAIN RAINSCREEN FACADE CIVITILLO MASONRY ARCHITECT: ANTINOZZI ASSOCIATES CONSTRUCTION PHOTOS 01/11/18



Solving complex design issues – sloping walls on a radius













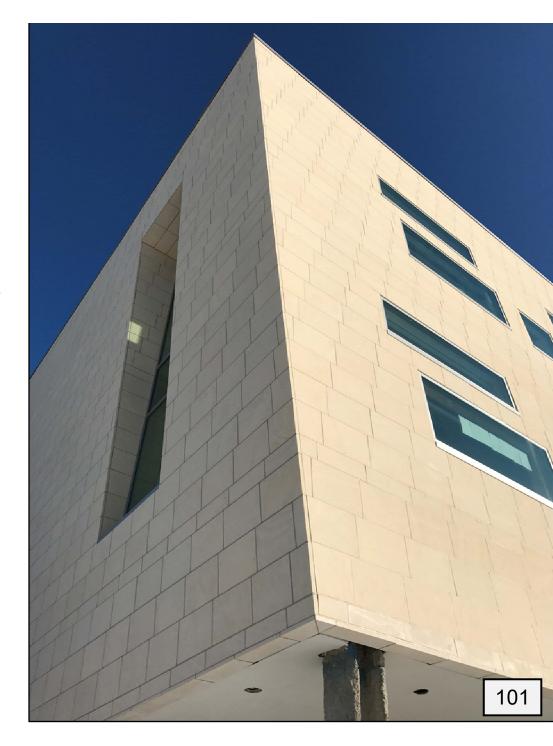
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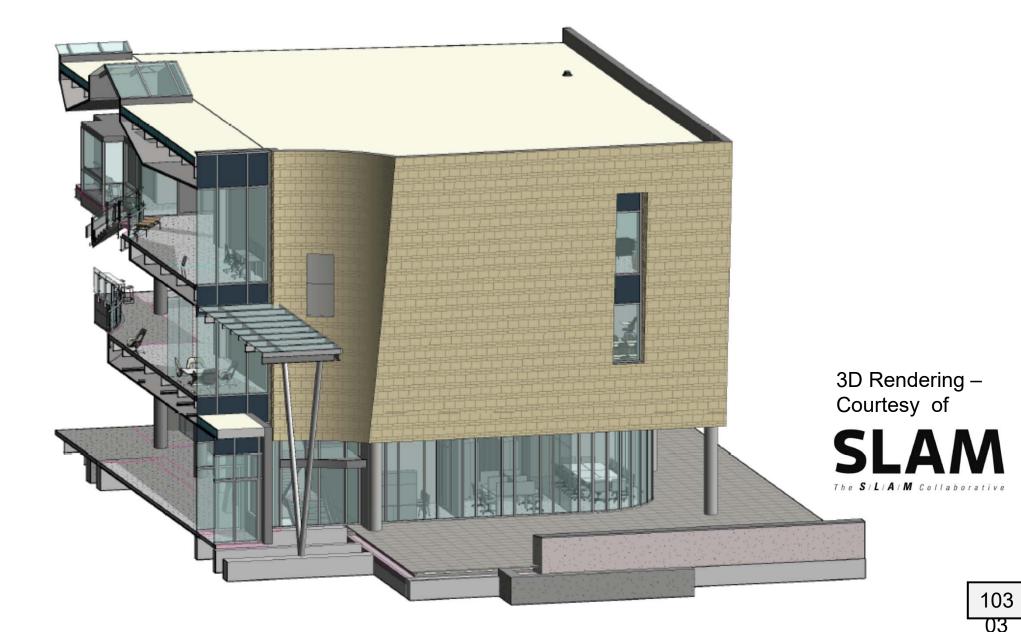
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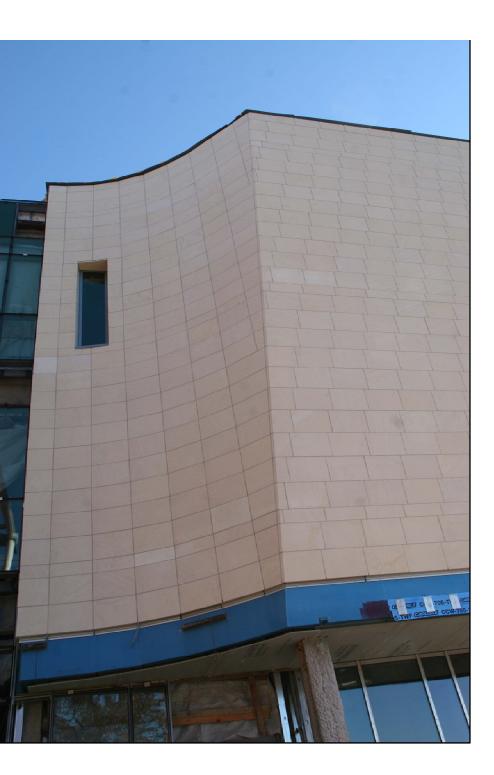
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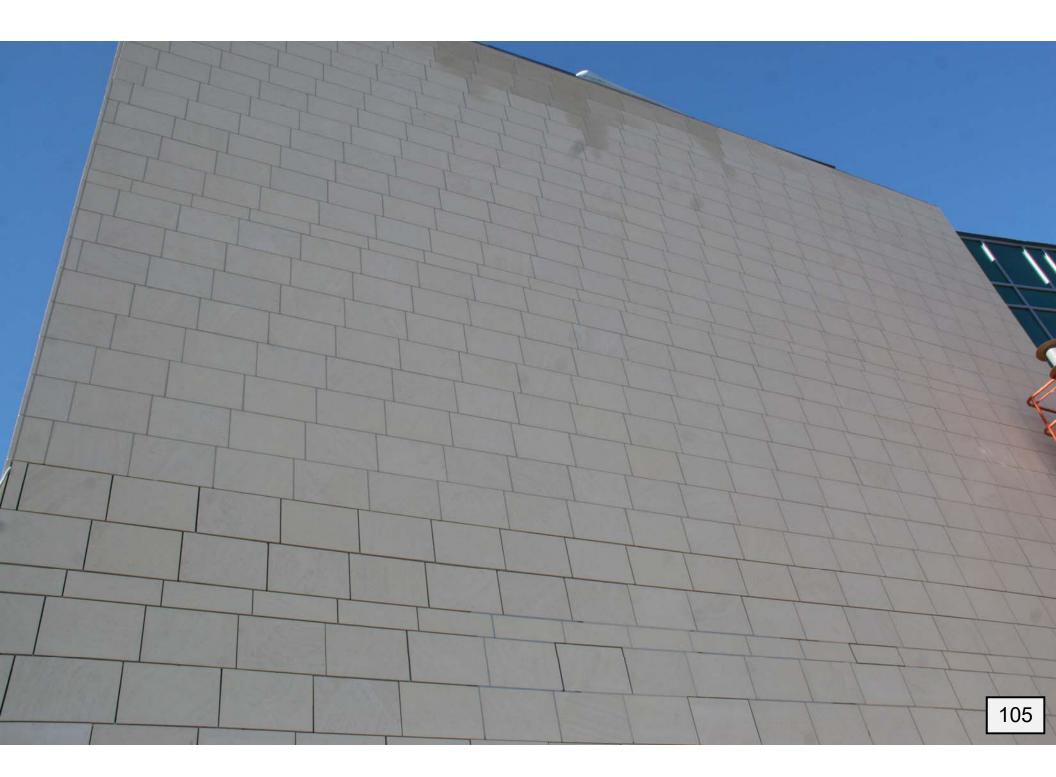






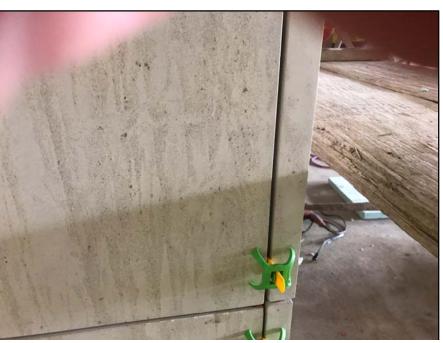


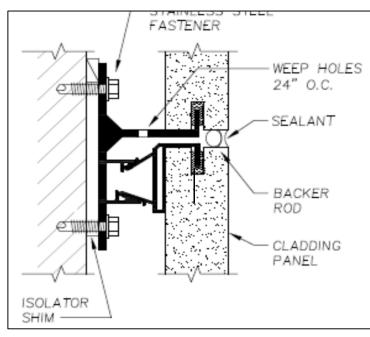








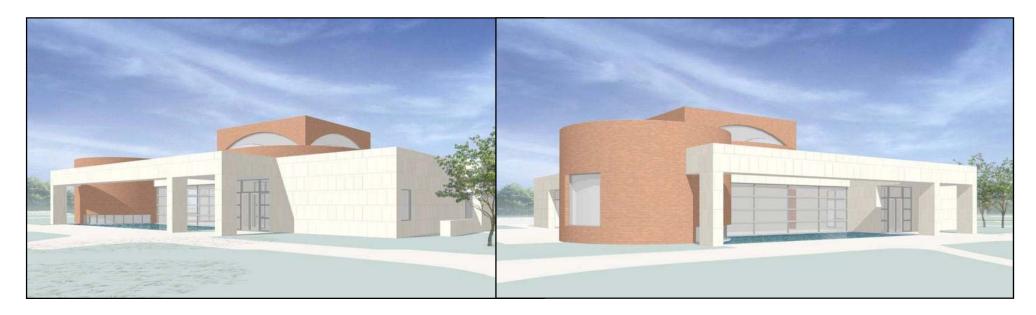




Courtesy Fast=Track Systems / Acme Brick



Bryant University Chapel



Project: Bryant University Chapel Architect: Gwathmey Siegel & Associates Mason Contractor: Grande Masonry CM: Shawmut Design & Construction Thin Stone Panels



Bryant University Chapel



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Project: Bryant University Chapel Architect: Gwathmey Siegel & Associates Mason Contractor: Grande Masonry CM: Shawmut Design & Construction Project: Waterbury Career Academy Location: Waterbury, CT Owner: City of Waterbury Architect: S/L/A/M Collaborative Engineer: S/L/A/M Collaborative Mason Contractor: Joe Capasso Mason Enterprises Tile Contractor: Atlantic Masonry Products CM: Gilbane Building Company

Terra Cotta Rainscreen



Waterbury Career Academy

Rendering - SLAM Collaborative / 3D City



Terra Cotta Rainscreen



Quinebaug Valley Middle High School, Danielson, CT Amenta Emma Architects / B.W. Dexter Mason Contractor



Quinebaug Valley - Terra Cotta



Single Source Responsibility Mason installs: AMV, Insulation, Flashing, Sub-Frame, Related Trim and Cladding





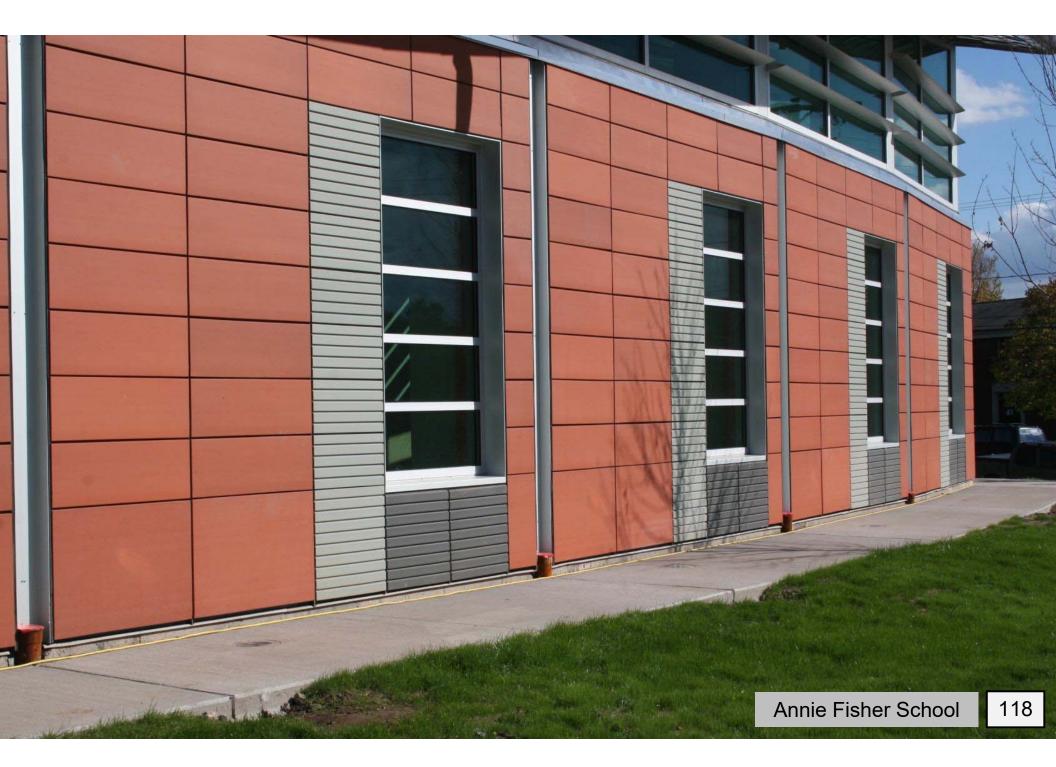




Terra Cotta Rainscreen



Annie Fisher School, Hartford, CT Amenta Emma Architects Brayman Hollow Masonry



Sacred Heart University Student Center

Project: Sacred Heart University – Gallery Student Center Location: Fairfield, CT **Owner: Sacred Heart University** Architect: Sasaki Associates, Inc. Engineer: Simpson Gumpertz & Heger Mason Contractor: Joe Capasso Mason Enterprises Specialty Contractor for AMV Barrier, Waterproofing, Sealants & Washdown: Advanced Caulking and Restoration, LLC **Tile Contractor: Coreno Marble & Tile** Terrazzo Contractor: Joseph Cohn & Son Concrete Contractor: RJB Contracting Inc. CM: Pavarini N.E. Construction Co. Inc. Photography: IMI – Richard Filloramo 12A12







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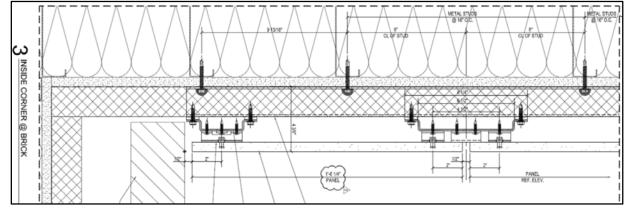
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GFRC Plank at UCONN

Planning, Designing, Coordination, Shop Drawing, Project Management











Rainscreen Walls Integration of New Building **Envelope Systems**

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