HVAC TEACHING MOCKUP – INTEGRATION OF A HUMIDIFIER AND MEASURING POINTS
École de technologie supérieure

OUR STORY
HVAC teaching mockup has led to the development of a new course on thermic and building science. It is used in teaching laboratories so the students can grasp the theoretical material covered in the classroom. The topics covered include applied thermodynamics (including the refrigeration cycle), simple HVAC processes (sensible heating, cooling, etc.), equipment performance analysis and control strategies (e.g., demand control ventilation) and thermal comfort.

OUR PROJECT
The HVAC teaching mockup consists of a modified Calibrated Hot Box, i.e. two climatic chambers separated by a wall whose thermal resistance has to be tested. Several HVAC systems are used to maintain each chamber at different and stable states. The first enclosure is maintained at conditions within the thermal comfort range, while the other is conditioned to emulate harsh Canadian winter climatic conditions. The ASHRAE Undergraduate grants allowed us to complete the setup and provided detailed analysis of the chamber environment and equipment operation.

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PARTNERSHIPS
Donation of ventilators
Donation of additional measuring equipment

DURATION
4 months to design and 12 months to build

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