

## WHITAKER

5 Whitaker Place Auckland, New Zealand

**OVERVIEW:** 300 Apartments **PROJECT VALUE:** \$45M

ROLE: Development & Project Manager, Sales & Marketing

## **DESCRIPTION**

The design of 5 Whitaker Place with extensive communal areas will enhance the quality of purpose built student accommodation in Auckland. Located within easy walking distance of the universities allowing student tenant's easy access to academic facilities and amenities in the CBD.

Whitaker Place is located close to both the University of Auckland and Auckland University of Technology (AUT) - the two major tertiary educational providers in Auckland.

Previously a five storeys commercial office block, the 5 Whitaker Place building contains 300 studio apartments. Communal facilities will include a lounge, study, kitchen, dining room, games room, theatre and a gym in the basement.

The complex is diamond shaped with two lifts and stairwells near the centre of the building, with the bedrooms to the perimeter. Bedrooms in the elevated levels have views over the CBD and towards Rangitoto Island.

Baracon partnered with Tasman Cook and have worked closely together with architect Jasmax to design a deliver a building that will stand out for years to come.

The concept was to create a studio product that personalized each individual and then offer on the ground floor common consolidated lounge, dining and study spaces for the students to use together .

The project was built by Kalmar and a staged handover ensured a tight programmed met the academic year and enrolments. JLL successfully sold the project in one line.