

The American College



Facts & Figures of the American College

- → 141 student rooms and 17 studios : approx. 170 inhabitants
- → 3 communities live in this college:
 - Saint Damien Community: American students Theology/Philosophy
 - Mater Dei Community: international priests and laypeople (Theology/Philosophy/Canon Law)
 - University Parish: Belgian students who actively participate in volunteer work or other ways of personal formation
- → The other (non-community) rooms are inhabited by students from all faculties, men and women, aged between 18 and 25.
- \rightarrow Praesidium organized by the students: grand ball, movie nights, quiz, cantus, activities for a good cause, ...
- → Aulneroom (former refectory) to be used by the entire University and 2 Rectoral Salons to be used by the General Management of the University.

The Residence Manager is Rebekka Jonkers (Ma. Theology). She is assisted by 4 house assistants (older students).





Content

4 important phases:

- 1840 until 1860: Spalding notices that there is a great shortage of educated priests in the U.S.A. He takes the initiative to set up a Seminary in the Old Europe where missionaries are trained to be sent to America: the origin of the American College. P. Kindekens is to be the first Rector.
- 1860 until 1889: De Neve, the 2nd Rector, takes it as his life's work to educate the priests to missionaries. The Louvain missionaries get a lot of support in the U.S.A.
- 1889 until 1949: The American College during World War I and II. Mainly during the rectorship of De Becker.
- 1949 until 2016: A new start for the American College. Visit of the Pope and Belgian King Boudewijn. In a later stage, there are renovations that result in the American College as we know it today.



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Graphic visualisation



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to the American College

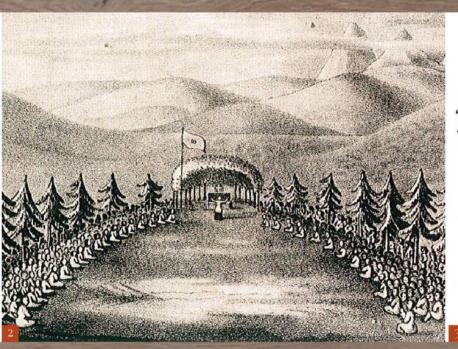


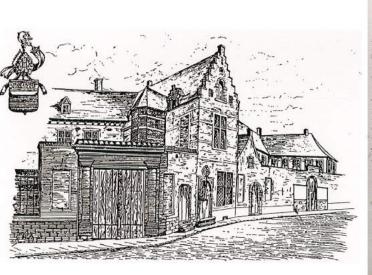
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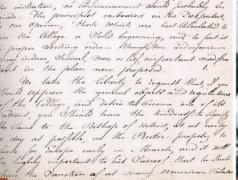
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A new American Seminary in Old Europe











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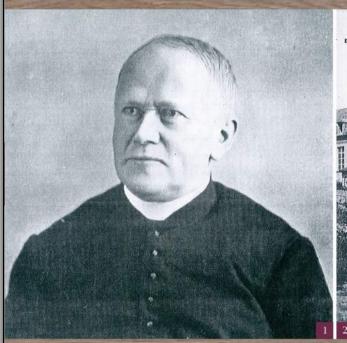
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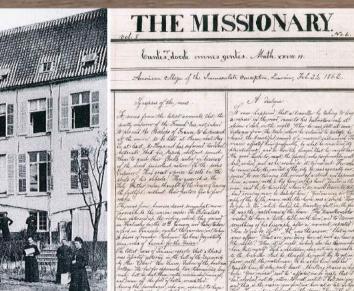
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A Generation of Missionaries: The life work of John De Neve.











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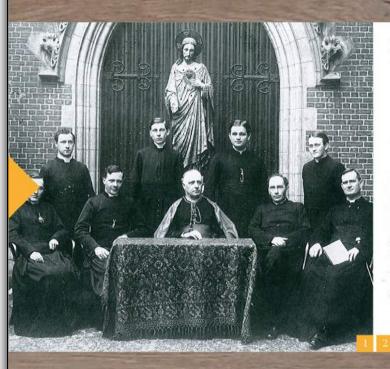
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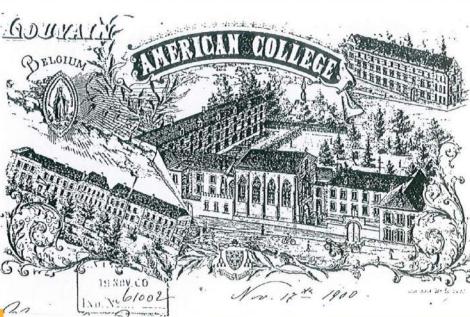
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The American College barely survived two world wars.











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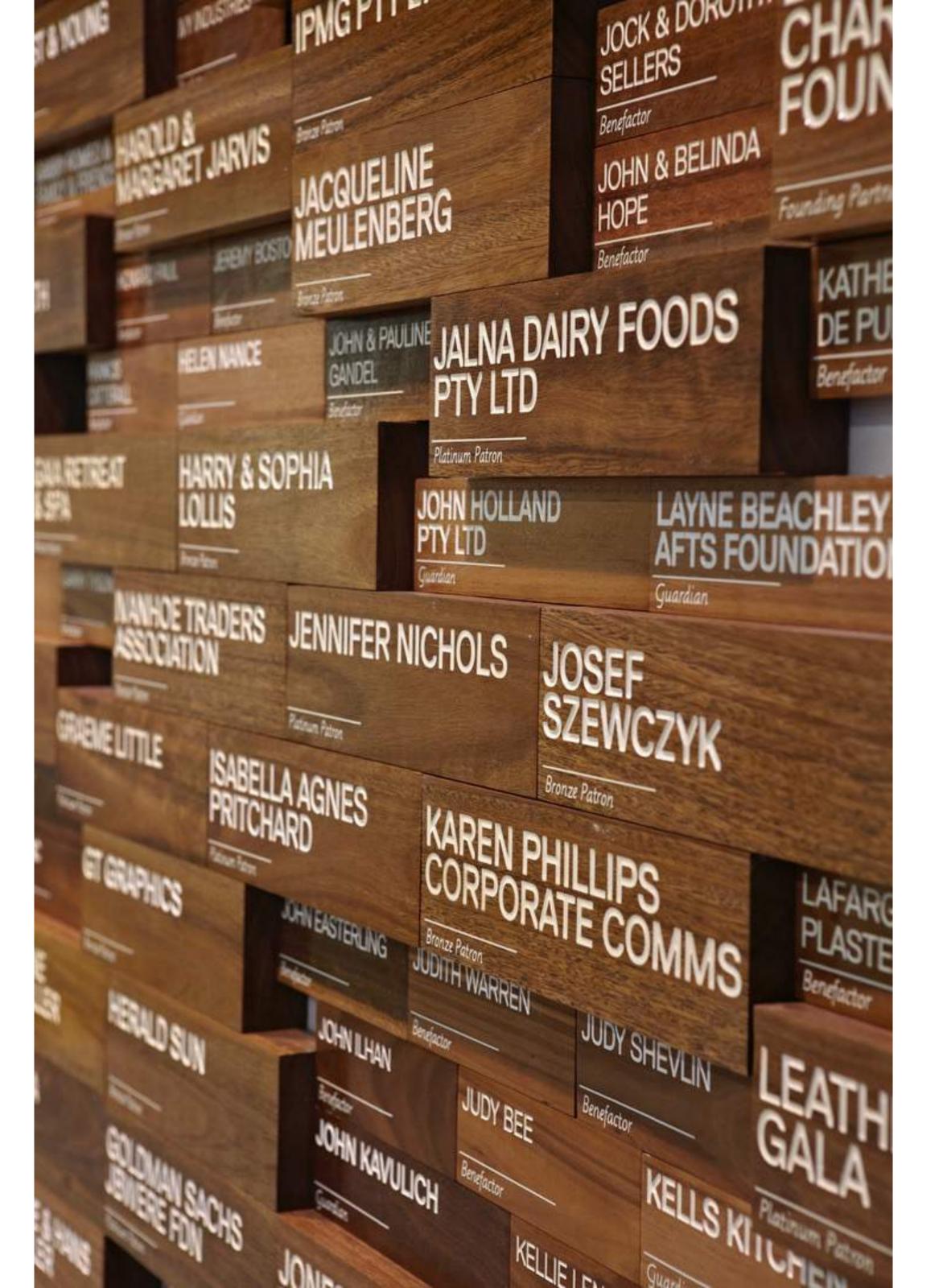
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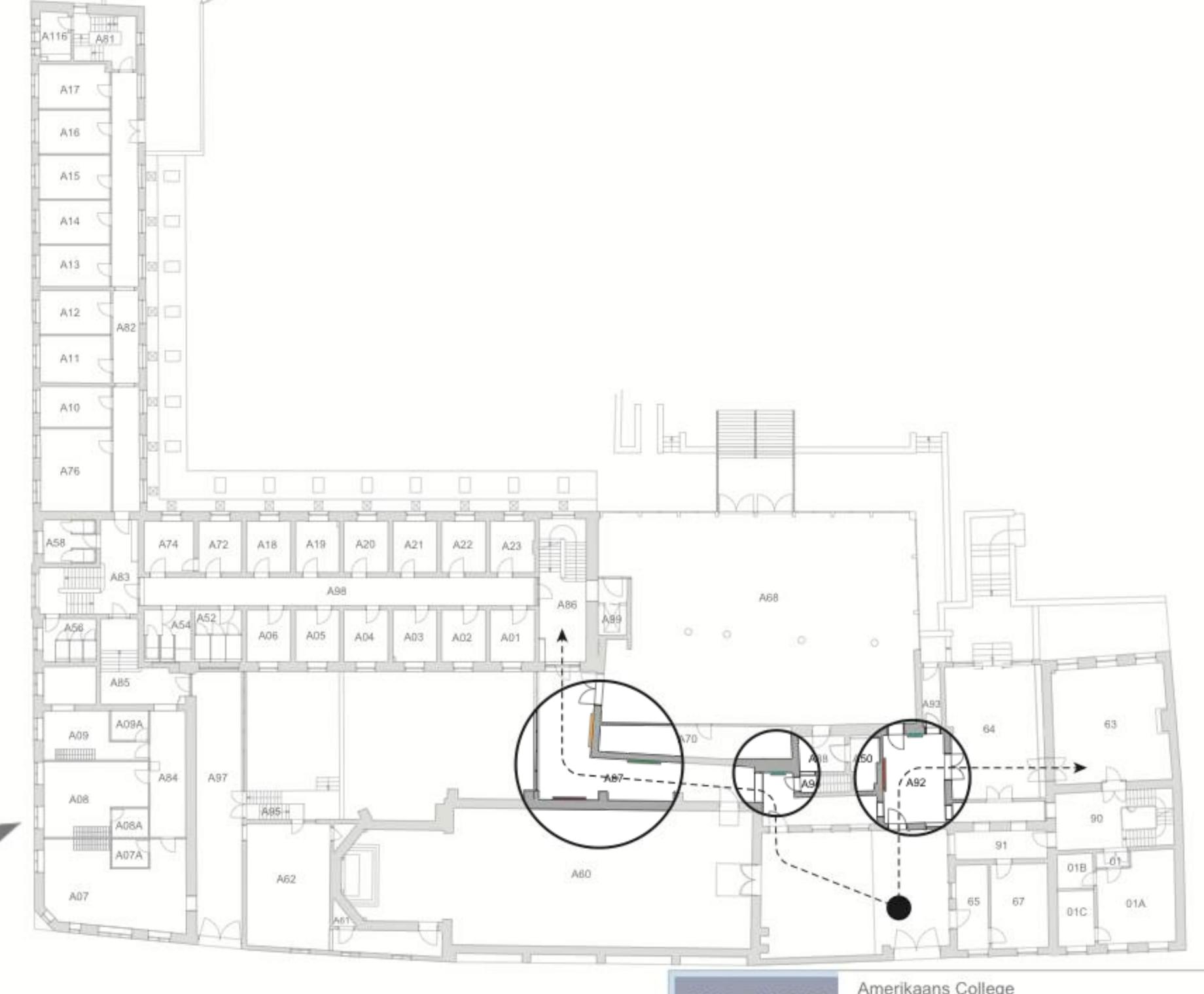
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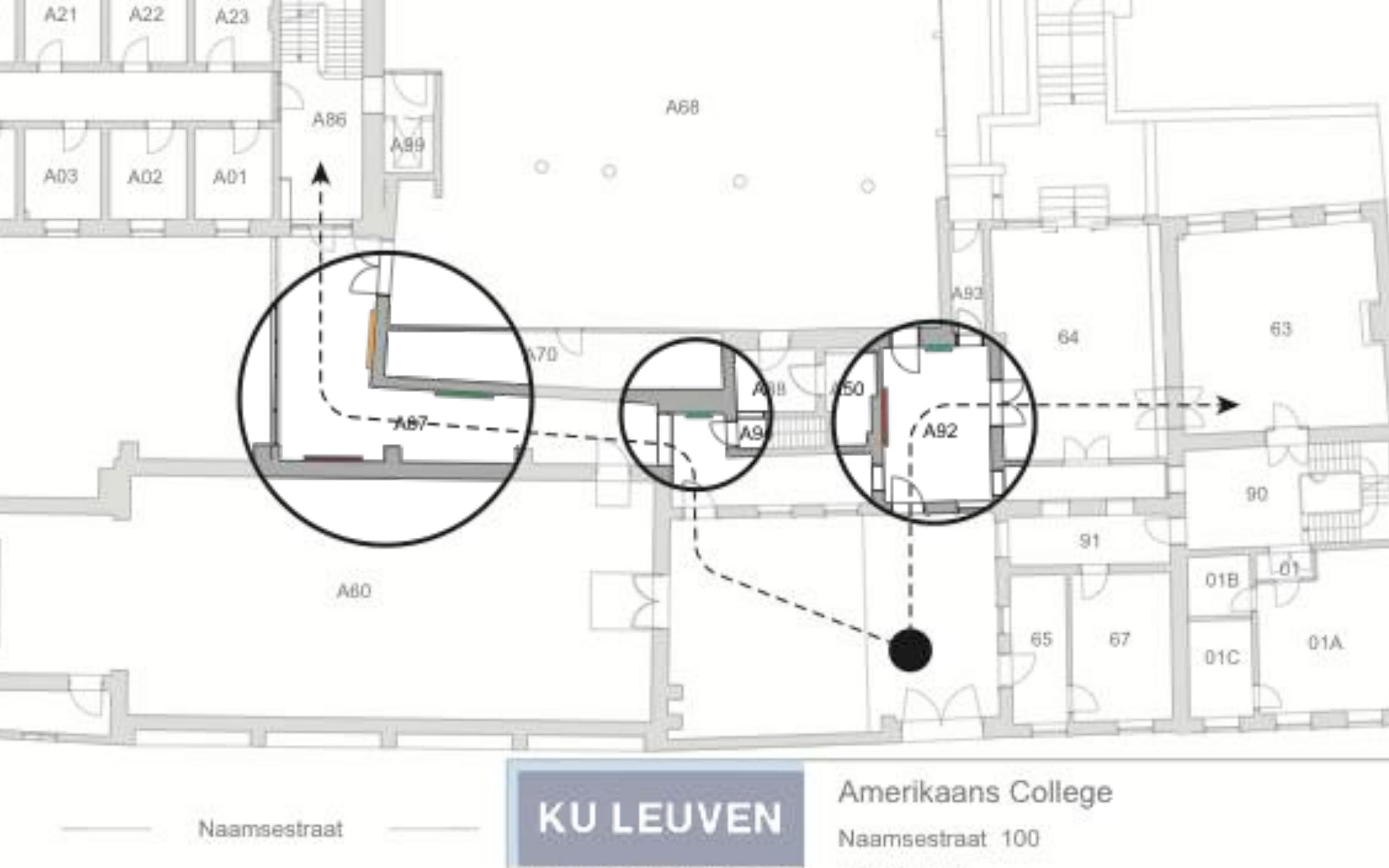
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Visualisations













Budget



Concept, drawings, visualisations	2.700 €
Content and graphics	2.400 €
Realisation construction, printing, engraving	16.125 €
Assembly and transport	2.650 €
Extra welcome panel	3.375 €
TOTAL (incl.VAT)	28.888 € (32.20246 USD)

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