

University of Wisconsin Kohl Center

Madison, Wisconsin

Owner

University of Wisconsin

Client/Design Architect

POPULOUS (formerly HOK Sport Venue Event) and 360 Architecture Inc. (formerly Heinlein Schrock Stearns Architecture) Joint-Venture

General Contractor

Boldt Construction

Completion Date

1998

Construction Cost

\$76 million

Total Area

470,000 sf

Seating Capacity

Basketball 17,230

Hockey 14,000

Concert 17,000

Number of Suites

36

Number of Concourses

2



Thornton Tomasetti provided structural design services for the University of Wisconsin's Kohl Center featuring the first use of rigging level at tension ties, which created a 100-foot by 200-foot, obstruction-free and flat working platform. The facility also utilized economical precast plank and cast-in-place beams for the superstructure framing system of this 470,000-square-foot facility.

Located on the southeast side of the University campus, the Kohl Center supports the Badgers Men's and Women's basketball and hockey teams as well as provides accommodations for practice, study, and spacious offices for coaching staff. Two overhanging balconies keep fans engaged and close to the action taking place on the floor without obstructed views.