

The **future** is still out there.

When Context® was first introduced it challenged virtually every preconceived notion about how the workplace should look and act. It was a radical approach, but it was a glimpse into the future that few would argue with today.

Context focused on work process. On team enterprise and collaboration. The furniture was designed specifically to support knowledge work and the information that drives it. It was freestanding furniture with an office systems pedigree. Moveable. Changeable. Highly adaptable

and infinitely re-adaptable. It was inherently in tune with the revolution in technology that would soon connect established companies with new markets, and new companies with markets that were only beginning to emerge.

Context symbolized the dynamics of organizational effectiveness. It broke down barriers and opened up new possibilities. This was furniture for a new generation of worker, and a new kind of company. It set new expectations for individual user comfort and control. And it fit anywhere.

Today, Context continues to bring organizations together. It links people to people, people to technology and helps to create a culture of collaboration and mutual support. It helps ideas reach the marketplace faster. In short, it can help people work better.



freestanding. free thinking. for whatever the future has in store.



## **context** manages connections



Want to improve the quality of customer service? Speed response time? Strengthen relationships? Context can help. It's all about managing connections – people to people, people to technology, and people to their work. Low screens promote interaction with co-workers. Power and communication receptacles are easily accessible at the worksurface. Universal Storage keeps personal items secure and provides finger-tip access to files and folders. And because Universal Storage was designed to work with Context, there's a storage solution to meet almost any need.



**context** collaborates freely



Looking for ways to foster innovation? Improve collaboration? The integration of Pathways® Post and Beam with Context is a powerful combination to help you improve organizational effectiveness. Context's unique worksurface shapes support individual work while also providing a convenient area for impromptu meetings. Pathways Post and Beam helps to define boundaries or "neighborhoods" while providing a framework for visual display. Technology is integrated throughout, so residents and visitors can plug-in and power-up anywhere. And that can help bring new ideas to life.



## **context** works the way you want to

Looking for privacy? Something cozy?  
A place to call home? Working in  
private doesn't mean working alone.  
You need a place to think, but you  
also need to stay in touch with those  
around you. Context helps balance the  
need to work alone with the need to  
interact with others. With Context you  
can adjust the level of privacy so  
everyone benefits. Use Context to  
reflect the image of your organization  
and support the individual workstyles  
of your people. In the open, or in  
private. It's very adaptable.

### ***Balancing privacy and interaction.***

*Context allows you to adjust the level of privacy in the  
open plan (below) or in private offices (right) according  
to the needs of the individual and the work performed.*



**12" high screen on core unit**  
for territorial separation and a  
tackable surface



**20" high screen**  
for seated privacy and standing  
visual access



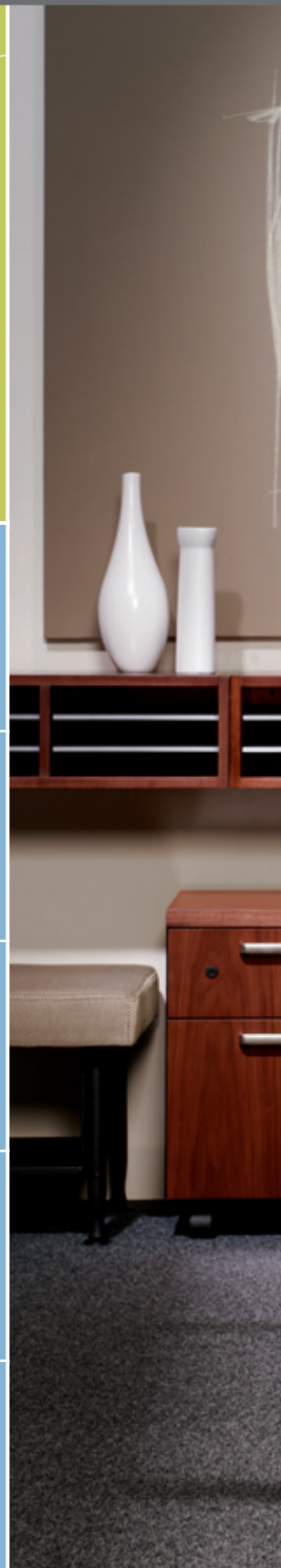
**overhead cabinet without screen**  
for seated interaction with storage



**overhead cabinet with screen**  
for standing privacy with storage



**column-mounted screen**  
For standing privacy



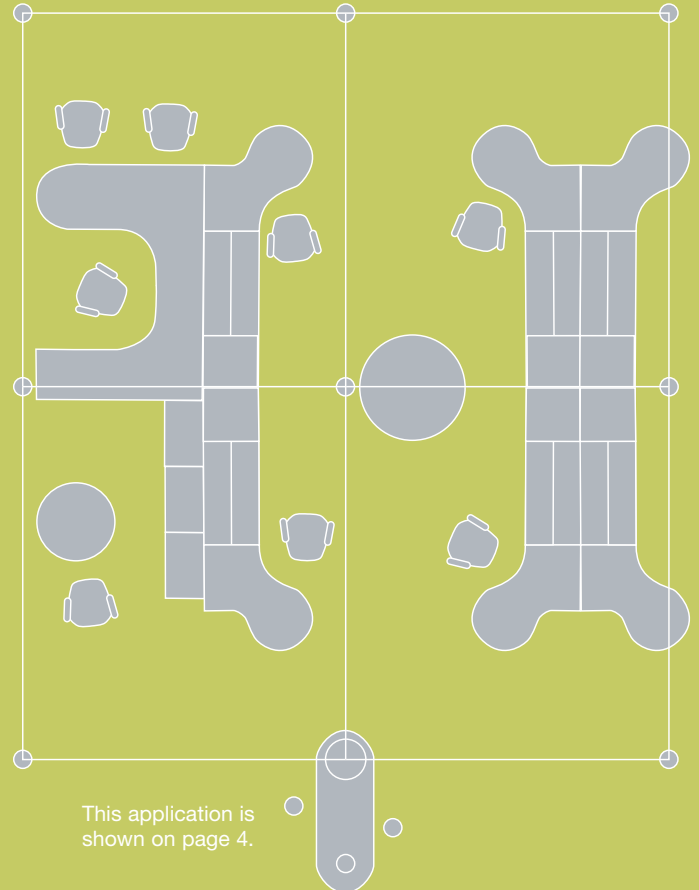


## context changes quickly



### today

- Support project teams
- Foster collaboration between team members
- Encourage interaction for longer periods of time
- Provide display area for work-in-process

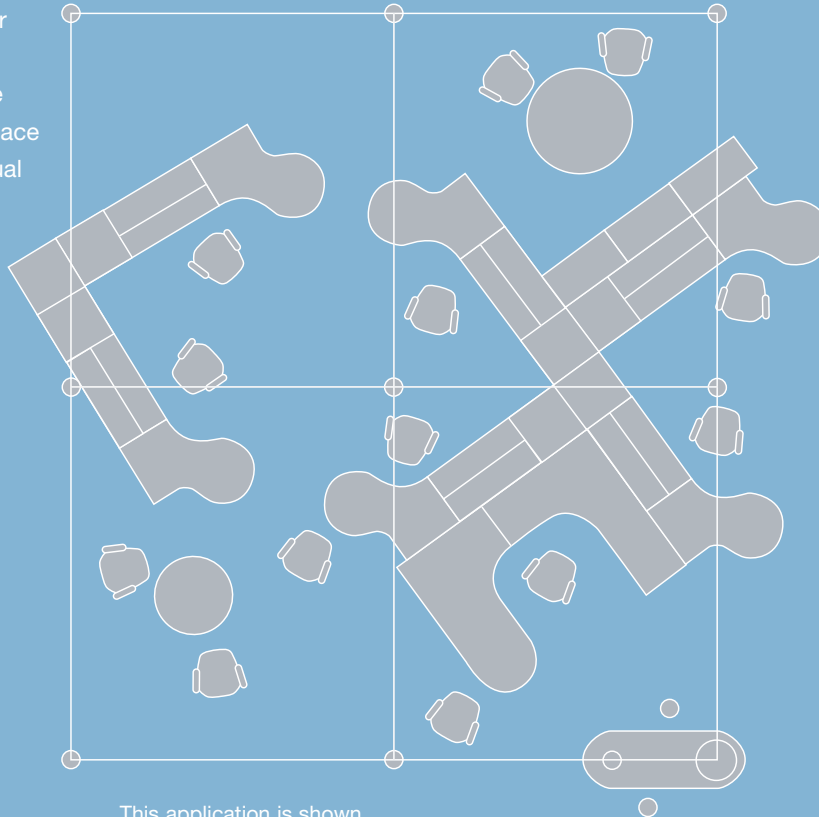


Time to plan? Time to move? Time to change? A day in the life of Context shows how easy it is. Context looks and acts like an office system. Variable levels of privacy. Lots of storage options. Integrated power and cabling. But that's where the similarities end.

It's freestanding furniture, pure and simple. Think of it as a kit of modular building blocks that are fully interchangeable. There is no dimensional creep to contend with, so it's easy to plan with. It adapts freely to the architecture of whatever space it occupies.

tomorrow

- Increase support for individual work
- Group meetings are supported in the space
- Provide greater visual privacy
- Support impromptu meetings



This application is shown on pages 5, 8, and 9.

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Context solution reused

Reuse from today



Change, move or add a workspace with minimal...or no disruption to neighbors. Move it from open plan to private office. And it's backed by our Steelcase Lifetime Warranty.

Solid construction. Designed to withstand hard use and continuous reuse. Freestanding. Free thinking. For whatever the future has in store.

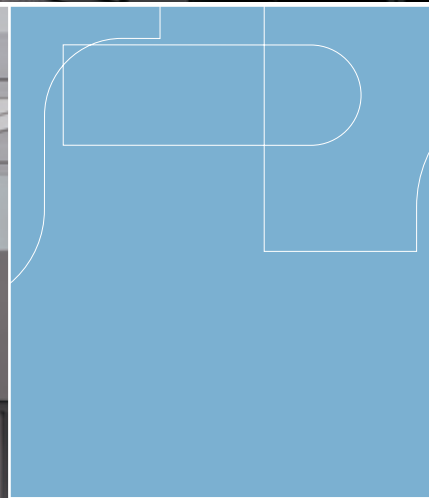
## context details



**1** Managing cords and cables is simple because of Context's unique horizontal and vertical cable management features.

**2** Context's built-in accessory rail supports a variety of intelligently designed work tools and accessories. This shelf puts your phone where you want it. Frees-up worksurface space for other uses.

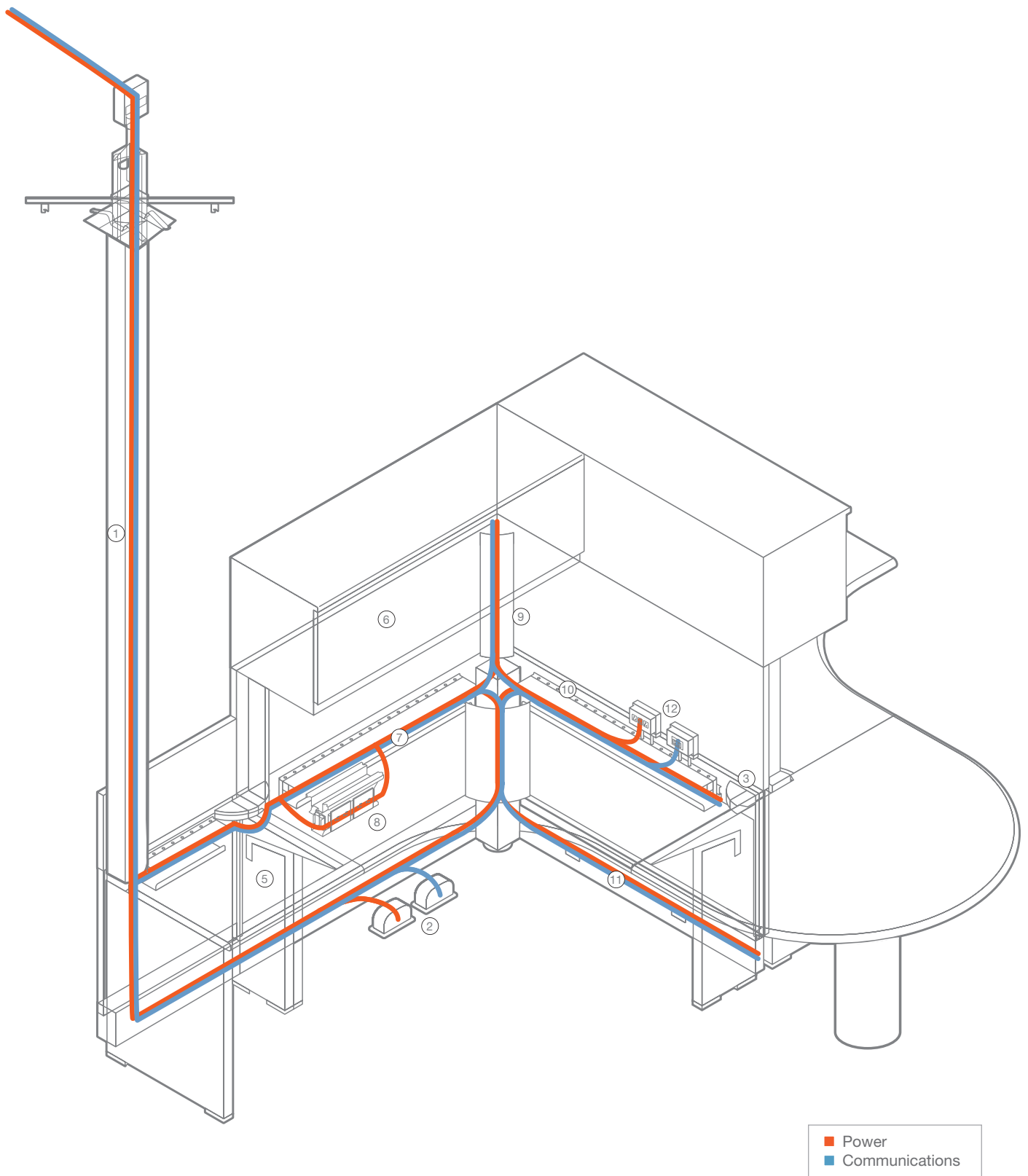
**3** Take out a transition top and drop in a storage tower. Or move a tower and add a top. With Context the choice is easy.

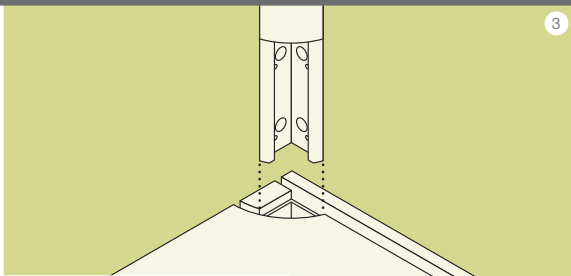


**4** Universal Storage was designed with Context in mind and offers storage solutions to satisfy any storage need. Components are designed to fit and function beautifully.

**5** Technology comes in all shapes and sizes, and so does Context. Fluid worksurface shapes let you expand your thinking. Help you stay connected. Help others stay connected with you.

**6** Context is all plug and play. Access to power, data and telecommunications is modular and moveable. Puts the user in control of technology. Makes networks work easier. Helps people work better. Anywhere they want.





## Interface

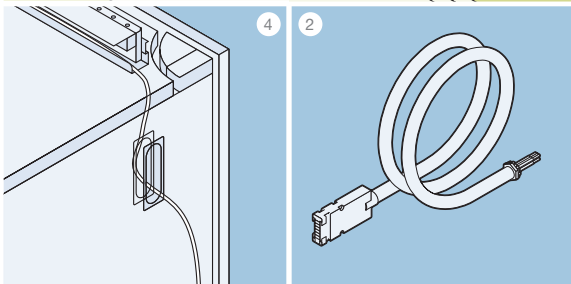
The way power and cables within Context connect with the building's power and communication network.

### 1 Utility pole

Allows routing of power and cables from the ceiling.

### 2 Power infeed

Provides access to building's power source. One end allows either a modular or hardwire connection to the building power source. The opposite end has a modular connection that delivers power to a cluster of workstations.



## Distribution

The way power and communication networks are routed from one location to another. There are two ways to distribute power:

- Internode modular power – use when flexibility and modularity of networks is required. Available in three wiring schematics.
- Utility trunks – use utility trunks in technology-intensive environments and for power and cabling at floor level.

### 3 Ports

Removable covers allow large cord or cable connectors to pass through the workspaces. Also provides attachment points for overhead cabinets, shelves, screens, countertops, or port-mounted utility poles.

### 7 Cable trays

Provide below-workspace horizontal cable and power harness management. Add-on trays are available for additional capacity.

### 8 Internode™ power module

A hub for power connections – provides receptacles below the workspace and modular connection points for harness, power infeeds, and above-workspace receptacles.

### 4 Pass through

Optional cut-outs in end panels and back panels can be specified as an alternative means of routing power and data between workstations.

### 9 Columns

Columns conceal cables and harnesses routed vertically both above and below the workspace.

### 5 Inside support

Notch allows cords and cables to pass between adjoining core units and workstations.

### 10 Access channel

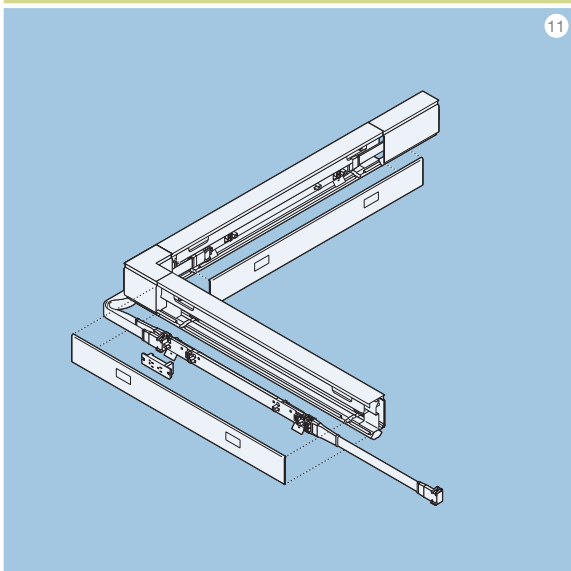
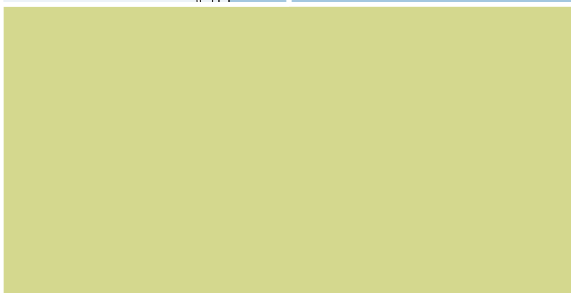
Provides a continuous slot for cords and cables, flexible channel guard holds cords and cables in place.

### 6 Overhead storage

Column-mounted shelves and overhead cabinets are designed to allow wiring to pass through columns to the power source.

### 11 Utility trunks

Installed in the space below the back panel to distribute and access power and cables within and between workstations.



## Access

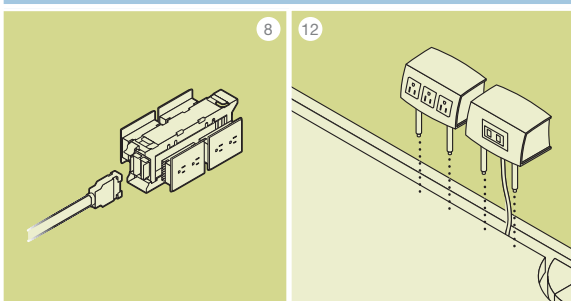
Points where users can access power and communications networks.

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### 12 Convenience power and communication modules

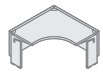
Context convenience modules extend power and data connections above the workspace for easy user access.



# context

Abbreviated Statement of Line

## Core Units



Corner



Extended  
Corner



Extended  
Corner Cove



Straight



Straight  
Aisle Privacy



Transition  
Aisle Privacy



Reception  
with Countertop



Transition



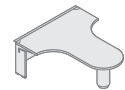
Visitor



Bubble Visitor



Spanner Table



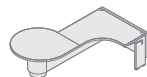
Combi Table



Jetty Table



Bubble Jetty  
Table



Enterprise Table



Round Tables



Countertops

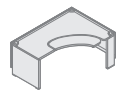
## Adjustable-Height Core Units



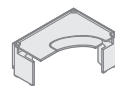
Corner with  
adjustable-height  
keyboard surface



Corner with electric  
dual adjustable-height  
worksurfaces



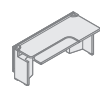
Extended Corner with  
adjustable-height  
keyboard surface



Extended Corner  
with dual electric  
adjustable-height  
worksurfaces



Straight with single  
electric adjustable-  
height worksurfaces



Straight with dual  
electric adjustable-  
height worksurfaces

## Universal Storage



Fixed  
Pedestals



Mobile  
Pedestals



Lateral  
Files



Open Side  
Towers



Full Front  
Towers



Vertical  
Drawer  
Towers

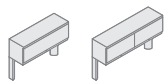


Combination  
Cabinets



Wardrobe  
Cabinets

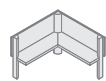
## Context Overhead Storage



Overhead Cabinets



Straight Column-  
Mounted Shelves



Corner Column-  
Mounted Shelves

## Screens



Straight Core Mounted Screens



Straight Core Mounted Arc Screens



Straight Column Mounted Screens

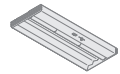
## Lighting



Rail Mounted Canopy

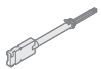


Slatwall Mounted Canopy

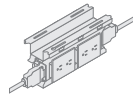


Shelf

## Power and Communication



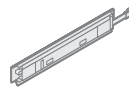
Power Infeed



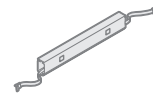
Internode™ Power Module



Modular Harnesses



Single Utility Trunks



Double Utility Trunk Powerways



Utility Pole



Convenience Tri-Receptacles with Modular Harness, Power Cord and Plug, Outlet Housing

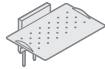
## Accessories



Paper Trays



Diagonal Paper Tray



Telephone Stand



Plastic Center Drawer

## Works With

Context works with a broad range of Steelcase products including: Universal Storage, Pathways Post and Beam, Universal Worksurfaces, Unison, Pathways Architectural Power, Pathways Zone Cabling, Pathways Access Floor, Pathways Low-Profile Floor.

## Surface Materials

Steelcase Classics, Options and Accents Collections of Textiles and Finishes, Custom Programs: Customer's Own Material, PerfectMatch™ Paint, Customiz™ Stain, Open Line Laminates

See the Context Specification Guide for additional information



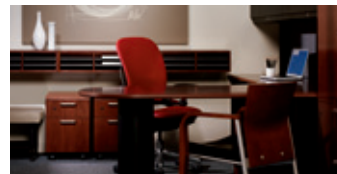
Call Center

**Core Units** 4798 Sterling, 2U03 Blue Ice  
**Screen Fabric** P321 Cloud  
**Seating** Leap  
**Designtex** 2711 Pigment, 510 Light Olive  
**Storage Units** 4799 Platinum



Collaborative Setting

**Core Units** 4798 Sterling, 2825 Vanadium Speckle  
**Overhead Storage** 4799 Platinum  
**Screen Fabric** P126 Artifact  
**Seating** Leap  
**Designtex** 5E76 Prairie Watermelon  
**Storage Units** 4798 Sterling



Private Office

**Core Units** 3712 Natural Walnut, 7207 Textured Black  
**Guest Seating** Mingle chairs, 3712 Natural Walnut, 7206 Nickel  
**Desk Seating** Leap Coach Leather Bright Red CL13



Collaborative Setting

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