In Siebel Center's room 1404, there is an awful lack of power outlets. Despite the building being dedicated to computer science, the designers neglected to think that most of the students would have laptops they would bring to the room.

Again in room 1404, power outlets (and even network jacks) can be found in few of the front rows. However, when covered, they blend in with the surrounding carpet and simply look like a maintenance hatch. Even trying to use the outlets is difficult without getting close to the floor to see where the plug goes.
In some of Siebel Center's smaller classrooms on the first floor, there are whiteboards on a side of the room where it's inconvenient to turn one's head towards the left or the right of the room and even some rooms have a giant pillar blocking the view!

Here's another example of a pillar being in the wrong place. This pillar sits right in the middle of a small hallway that has a lot of traffic going to and from room 1404 and also customers wanting to purchase food or drinks from the café.

This is a view of the outside of Siebel Center. While being a great view, nobody ever sees this side of the building since this side of the building faces north. It would have been better if this side of the building was facing south, where most of the traffic is coming from.
On Siebel Center’s upper floors at the southwest corner of the building, these chairs can be seen littering the hallway. While useful to visitors waiting to meet with faculty, it is practically an obstacle course with chairs alternating on each side of the hallway. It would have been much nicer were the chairs all present on one side.

At first glance, nothing seems to be wrong with the doors, except that the push bars seen on the doors aren't actually push bars. At most buildings, doors would have a vertical bar to grab and pull open the door. The doors at Siebel Center have pull bars going horizontally, not exactly following the standard.

On the north side of Siebel Center, there are stairs leading from the second floor to the basement floor, or so it would seem when looking at the building from the sidewalk. But as seen in this photograph, it seems as if the designers wanted to let people walk to the first floor with the opening in the railing, however there’s no sidewalk to be seen leading from the stairs.
When walking downstairs to the basement in the southwest stairwell, you would see the same thing in this photograph. One would immediately assume that they would have to go through the door to enter the rest of the building. However, the door seen in the photograph leads to a maintenance room. The door they should actually go through is to the right, behind the wall. A sign directing people to the door would at least be helpful.

In the stairwell on the basement level, we see this fire department valve. It's hard to see what's wrong with the valve until you realize that it's parallel to the wall. It doesn't seem like two hands can be used to turn the valve since there isn't much room for one of the hands thanks to the lack of room between the valve and the wall. Also because of the way it is facing it would be hard to turn. A valve perpendicular to the wall would be easier to use.

On the basement level near the north stairwell, one can either choose to go left to take a few steps down some stairs or go right to walk down a ramp. It actually can get annoying when you're trying to get to the computer lab in front of you and there isn't a direct path going straight towards the lab thanks to the fence.
On the upper levels of Siebel Center, whiteboards can be seen hanging off some walls. While some of them are useful, being placed in front of an open area with chairs and a table, some (like the one in the photograph) are placed in areas that don't seem to be useful with chairs not even facing the whiteboard.

These stairs outside Siebel lead straight to a wide pillar. Not exactly very useful, and it might even lead to some unsuspecting students to bang into it.

We often find these random power outlets all over Siebel. Although the thought is appreciated, an outlet in the middle of an empty hallway with no seating around it seems quite useless.
Its a nice thought to have two water fountains next to each other, but due to their proximity it makes it quite hard for two people to drink at the same time. If one water spout had been farther from the other, it would’ve been less crowded and awkward for people to drink.

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Even when inside the building and walking upstairs towards the fourth floor, it’s hard to avoid the sun's rays. It’s unbelievably distracting when walking up the stairs with the sun shining into your eyes. The least they could do is to tint the glass.

When going into the computer lab at room 0216, one must try every computer terminal to find one with the OS he is looking for. If the room had been divided by the OS present on the computer with signs directing us to them, it would have been much more useful.

The exit sign in the front telling us to go left can be quite confusing as there is no other exit to the left. The only exit present is right in front of us indicated by the second exit sign. To the right (not seen in the photograph), there is yet another exit sign directing people to the stairs.