After much discussion, new concepts in classroom design are finding their way into many rooms at the Institute. Most of the rooms in newly built buildings embody some of these ideas; in addition, the MIT Planning Office has remodeled some rooms in the main buildings.

Room 3-133, shown in the upper three pictures, is a remodeled lecture hall which includes creature comforts such as carpeting, swivel chairs, and (unlike 10-250) enough room for your legs if you happen to be taller than 5' 6". Its most novel feature is the white non-glace "blackboard" which doubles as a movie screen. Instead of chalk, the instructor uses water-based multi-colored felt pens which wipe off with a damp cloth.

4-156 is another remodeled room. Pictured at the lower right corner of the page, it is a special room designed for use by music classes. In addition to a pleasing decor, it features a piano and audio-visual aids.

4-160, pictured in the other two photos, has no individual writing surfaces and, with its comfortable and movable furniture, is ideally suited for discussion-oriented subjects.

The Planning Office reports that other experimental classrooms have also been planned or completed, ranging from large lecture halls to small rooms designed to satisfy special projection needs.

Four classrooms are currently in use in building 37 which will hopefully provide some insight into the merits of different seating arrangements.

These projects are part of a continuing program to revitalize Institute classrooms. Student opinions and ideas for future classroom projects are needed at this point and should be directed to the Planning Office or Al Willsky, chairman of the Student Committee on Environment.

Recently remodeled rooms improve class atmosphere