



Planning Library Spaces that Enhance Research, Teaching & Learning, and Community

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Directions in library physical space

- While there are trends in spaces in academic libraries, there is no "one size fits all" – know your own community
- My perspective on library physical space incorporates programs, expertise, content, and technologies, all working together
- User and institutional needs will change and flexibility in space design is important





Redefining the library experience OCLC Global Survey 2023

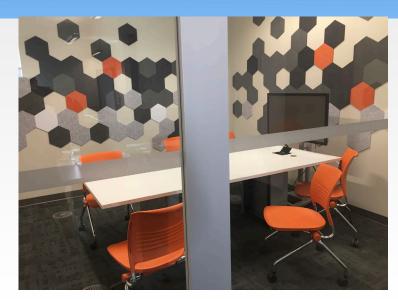
- Increased role of "space provider"
- More demand for in-person services and staff tech expertise in relation to Open Science
- Increase in use of data management, curation, analysis, visualization services
- Libraries as a trusted source of information and a flexible space





Assessing user needs

- Focus on research trends and their implications for spaces and services
- Focus on curricular trends and their implications for spaces and services
- What are gaps in availability of spaces and services on campus that might be useful across disciplines
- How to identify "lead users" and others that help identify trends



Lab NEXT University of Calgary Taylor Family Digital Library





Changing needs leads to new programs/spaces





Hunt Library – North Carolina State University





Research-oriented activities

- "I often tell people working in eScience that they aren't in this field because they are visionaries or super-intelligent—it's because they care about science and they are alive now. It is about technology changing the world, and science taking advantage of it, to do more and do better."
 - Rhys Francis, Australian
 eResearch Infrastructure Council







Libraries serve all disciplines

- New research opportunities in every field
- Bringing together teams with researchers with different types of expertise – archaeology, religion, seismic studies

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3D Modeling Brings a 4th-Century Basilica Back to Life



https://www.pbs.org/wnet/secrets/3d-modeling-brings-a-4th-century-basilica-back-to-life-zevzq/7855/





Promoting available technologies & expertise



NC State Hunt Library



Duke University Library – The Edge





Special collections: showcasing analog + digital content



University of Miami Library



Emory University Library Special Collections





CNI Program Digital, Data-intensive & Computational Research

- Interviews
- Institutional Profiles
- Invitational forums
- Report
- Session at CNI Spring 2023 Meeting
- Webinars
 https://www.cni.org/events/cni-workshops/directions-in-digital-scholarship-support-for-digital-data-intensive-and-computational-research-in-academic-libraries







Physical facilities (CNI collected 24 profiles)

Most frequent

- Training/classroom spaces
- Consultation spaces
- Spaces for collaborative projects
- Computer/data labs

Least frequent

- Al lab
- Data science lab
- Visualization space





What's next for programs (from profiles)

- Create AR/VR spaces & services
- Establish data visualization facilities
- More computational & data services
- Expand digital publishing

- More intensive instructional programs
- Provide a more unified, holistic approach
- Strengthen campus partnerships





Working with faculty on assignments

Digital Scholarship Lab

News & Events

Soysal (Philosophy)

Eileen Daly-Boas (Outreach) and Zeynep

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The workshop concluded with a showcase where faculty shared their assignment, discussed challenges they encountered, and identified their next steps in preparing the assignment for implementation. Project examples included: GIS for sedimentary basin analysis; mind mapping to determine the validity of arguments; animations to show facility with Japanese language and culture; and Mediate (a time-based media annotation tool) to help students

analyze language, visuals, and emotional content within advertisements. It was exciting to see the range of projects and ideas generated in



a short amount of time.

















Library Programs

Noon Time Talks: Readying Your Classes for ChatGPT



Tuesday September 12th, 12pm on Zoom

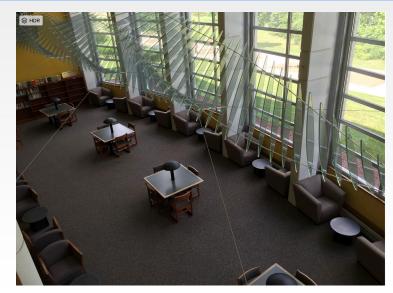
Last summer, the Writing Across the Curriculum Program convened a team of multidisciplinary faculty and staff for a "ChatGPT Boot Camp." Their first goal was to learn about ChatGPT (and other LLMs) in the higher education context. Their second goal was to create and curate A.I. teaching resources, especially materials faculty can use to build students' "Critical A.I. Literacy" and to support their critical thinking and academic integrity.





Student user needs

- What we know already
 - Students use a variety of types of spaces for different purposes and at different times of the academic year
 - Students like natural light
 - Students need good access to power for their devices



Rowan University Library





What kinds of learning does the library support?

- A variety of modes
 - Quiet study
 - Studying along
 - Collaborative, peer-to-peer learning
 - Creating in a variety of media
 - Analyzing
 - Making
 - ...

- A variety of students
 - First-year
 - First-generation
 - Undergrads
 - Honors/capstone
 - Graduate students
 - Parents
 - Neurodivergent





Forging close ties with the curriculum



Temple University Charles Library

Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

AMES 40: Nomads from central Asia to the Middle East



Course: AMES40: Nomads from central Asia to the Middle East

Instructor: Prof. Ken Bauer

Multimedia Research Project Assignment

DESCRIPTION

The Multimedia Research Project is a film-based argument,

with a hypothesis supported by evidence. It integrates our in-class discussions and builds on close reading of articles and lectures as well as the search for and analysis of multimedia sources on indigenous knowledge and development. You will research any relevant topic of your choice and create a multimedia project.

OBJECTIVES

The goal of this project is to increase the clarity of your rhetorical skills and flexibility using images, words, film, audio, etc. The hope is that students will gain literacy in multiple media as they sharpen their understanding of how arguments are constructed. As a result of this project, you will:

- learn to do research with primary sources, including popular sources and peerreviewed scholarshin:
- use multimedia resources to compose an argument, create effective transitions between ideas, and develop your voice:

https://sites.dartmouth.edu/mediaprojects/







 "The studios exist because we believe that creativity is as critical a skill as literacy," said Patrick Tomlin, Director of Learning **Environments for Virginia Tech** University Libraries. "We also believe that well-designed learning spaces can be tools to shape meaningful interactions, make innovation tangible, and spark community," said Tomlin.

https://news.lib.vt.edu/2018/02/22/students-and-faculty-learn-how-to-discover-envision-and-invent-in-university-libraries-studios





"CATalyst Studios is founded on a commitment to formal and informal learning as essential parts of the UA student experience. In addition to working with faculty across disciplines to integrate the use of the studios into the curriculum..."

"CATalyst Studios programming also reflects the recognition that computational forms of research are increasing across all disciplines at the UA. " "Values of diversity, equity, and inclusion are strong elements in how CATalyst Studios operates."

Shan Sutton, Designing Libraries for the 21st Century, Chapter 6



University of Arizona Library - Student Success District: CATalyst Studios

https://localtoday.news/az/hidden-treasures-of-the-university-of-arizona-libraries-38920.html





Providing a variety of collaborative spaces



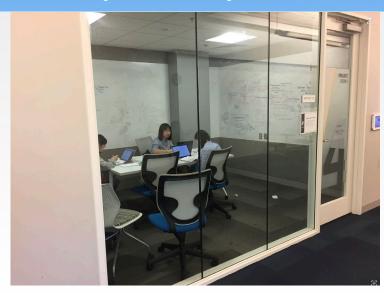


University of Texas Austin Scholars Lab

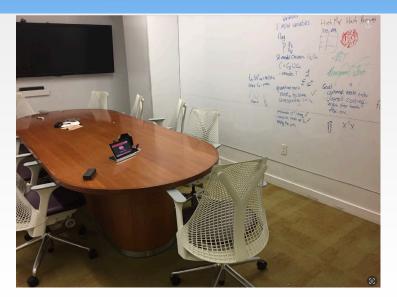




Group study rooms



Duke University Library "The Edge"



NC State University Hunt Library







Purdue University Wilmeth Active Learning Center





Group seating options



George Mason University Library



University of Connecticut Library

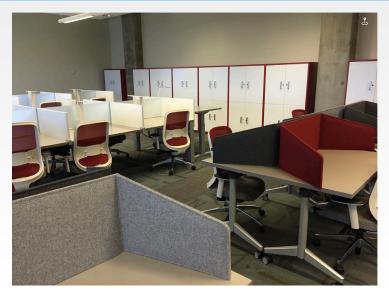




Adding privacy without walls



Cal State University – San Bernardino



University of Calgary TFDL – Graduate Study



Consider how to mix solo and group seating









Flexible seating for presentations



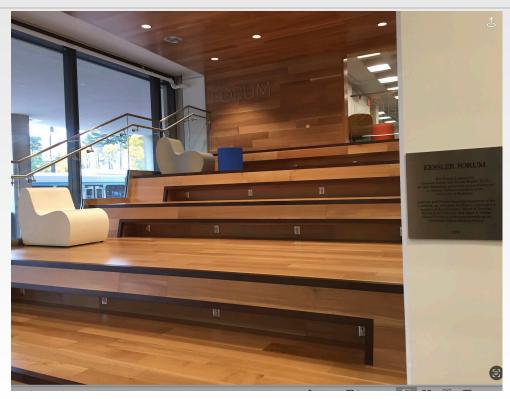
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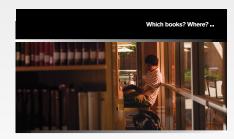
University of Rochester Library iZone





Space for the print collection

- Crema,"From Collections to Connections" in DL book
- Remote storage
- Automated storage retrieval systems
- Compact shelving
- Shared collections



The Future of the Academic Library Print Collection: A Space for Engagement

October 2017



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Changing needs in the arts

- Books on compact shelves
- Video and audio post-production
- Podcast production room
- Seminar room with equipment



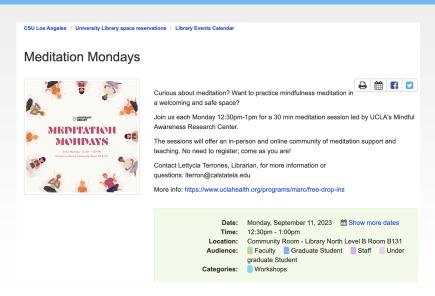
https://www.library.ucsb.edu/news/arts-library-project-update-9-2024





Library spaces enhancing student well-being, belonging

- No "one size fits all"
- Programs, events
- Signifiers such as exhibits, art work
- A component of student success







Inclusive and welcoming spaces

- Understanding perceptions of current climate
- https://library.duke.edu/about/deiinitiatives

- Entrance areas
- Exhibits, events
- Artwork





How are libraries integrating DEI initiatives?

- CNI Forum participants:
 - More partnerships on projects that highlight diverse groups & content
 - More exhibits highlighting diversity
 - Outreach to campus groups with diverse populations
 - Hosting events highlighting diversity

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https://www.lib.umich.edu/visit-and-study/events-and-exhibits/today-and-upcoming/being-mixed-race-mono-racially-organized









Student art greets visitors to the Academic Commons!

https://www.oxy.edu/academics/library/academic-commons/art-academic-commons







University of Texas Austin Scholars Lab Entrance





Comfortable, traditional environments



Vassar College Library

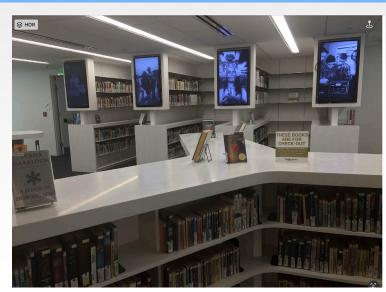


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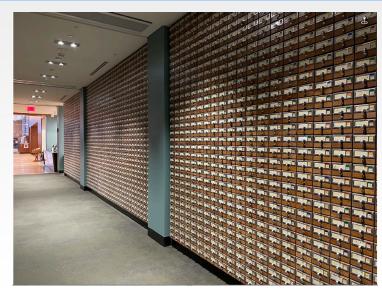




Highlighting collections and library symbols



Georgia Tech Library



Princeton University Library





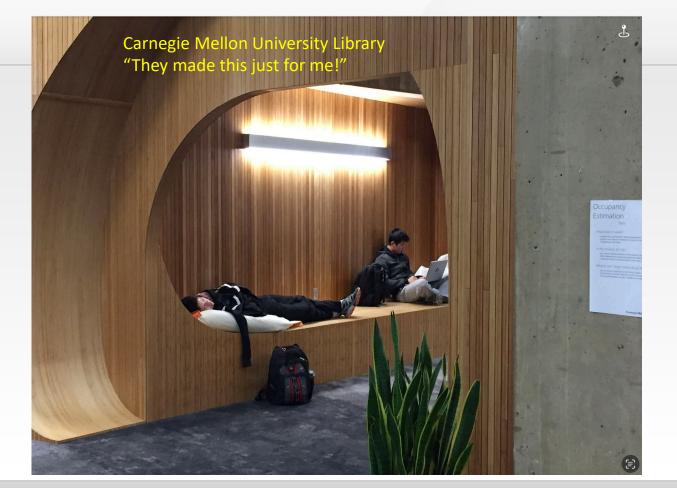




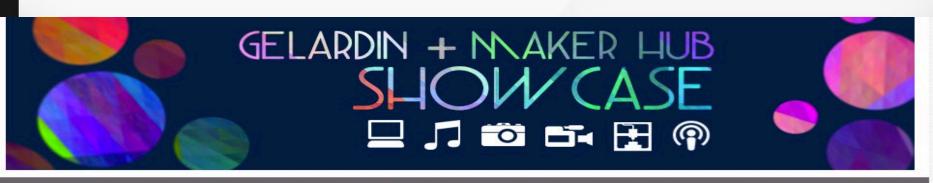








Exhibit at Princeton University Library Maps from Students' Projects



Home » Libraries & Spaces » Gelardin New Media Center » Showcase » Ear Wearable Pulseoximeter Prototype

Ear Wearable Pulseoximeter Prototype



Project Type

By Course

Faculty

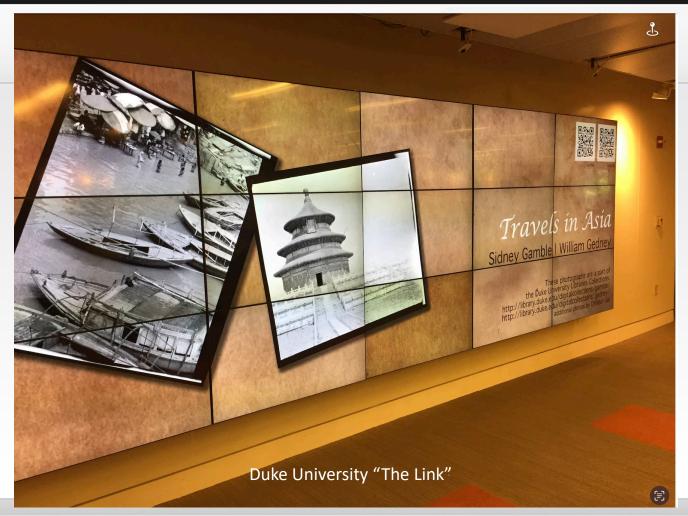
Showcase Winners

Submit your project

Your project must have been created using Gelardin or Maker Hub resources, spaces, or staff assistance to be eligible.

https://www.library.georgetown.edu/gelardin/showcase/entries/ear-wearable-pulseoximeter-prototype











Art highlighting issues and collections @North Carolina State University









The library as cultural & regional institution



Temple University Charles Library



Cal State University Library - San Bernardino





Re-designing libraries for today's and tomorrow's needs

- Continue to highlight content and its relationship to research and learning
- Understand the needs of your current and future communities
- Recruit staff with specialized expertise or re-train staff
- Build in flexibility in spaces

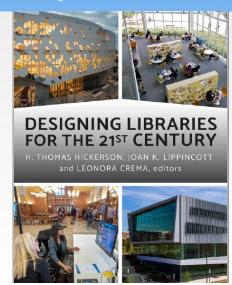


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