A 21st Century Library for 21st Century Learning

The Cofrin Library Project

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STUDENTS OF YESTERDAY

Paper & Pen

Typewriters

Individual work

Books

Print Journals
STUDENTS OF TODAY

Computers & Mobile Devices

Collaborative learning & studying

E-books & E-journals

Flexibility

Multitask
THE COFRIN LIBRARY

• Opened in 1972
  • Located in center of campus
  • 3400 students
• Today
  • 6600 students
  • 520 seats (1:12)
  • 63 computers
  • ~183,000 visitors annually
• Nearly 40 years with no major renovations
CURRENT OCCUPANTS

- Library
- University Archives & Area Research Center
- Garden Café
- Writing Center
- Tutoring Center
- Information Services Administration
- International Education
- Chancellor
- Provost
- Business & Finance
- University Advancement
- Outreach & Adult Access
- Secretary of the Faculty & Academic Staff
- UW Extension
- Human Resources
THE ISSUES IN THEIR OWN WORDS...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gld3fw15mXY
PROJECT VISION

• Create an engaged learning environment for study and research
• Facilitate collaboration
• Provide access to the vast information resources of the world
SPACE TO ACCOMMODATE:

- Library services and information technology access
- Student support services
- Gathering spaces
- Classrooms
- Offices
A LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT IS:

- Welcoming
- Comfortable
- Easy to use
- Adaptable
- Flexible
- Encourages Collaboration
THIS PROJECT WILL...

- Focus on improving student learning
- Emphasize study and collaboration spaces
- De-emphasize physical collection spaces
- Bring services to high traffic areas
- Offer 24-hour access
- Capture maximum natural light
- Improve sustainability
THEIR VISION...

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xrjT01M5sgE
RECENT EXAMPLE OF SUCCESS

- UW - Milwaukee
- Golda Meir Library
- Daniel M. Soref Learning Commons
Technology throughout
Collaborative Spaces
Multi-purpose Spaces
Task Lighting
MULTIPLE SERVICES
THE COFRIN LIBRARY PROJECT COSTS

- $35,420,000
  - Includes escalation to the 2019 biennium
- 187,000 gross sq ft.
- 112,000 assignable sq ft.
- 14,700 sq ft. of window replacement
WHY THE LIBRARY MATTERS

- Stimulates intellectual development
- Improves recruitment and retention
- Promotes student learning
- Enhances the student experience
- Supports faculty teaching and research
- Increases grant funding
- Strengthens the University's reputation
IN CONCLUSION

This project is a student centered approach to learning that brings together:

• Cofrin Library
• Student Affairs
• Academic Affairs
• Computing & Information Technology
• Dining
• University Union

That results in better services and experiences for students, faculty and the community.
THANK YOU

ANY QUESTIONS?