Transforming an Academic Medical Center Library into a Digital Library and Learning Center

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What's in a name?

Library

Place

Information

Knowledge

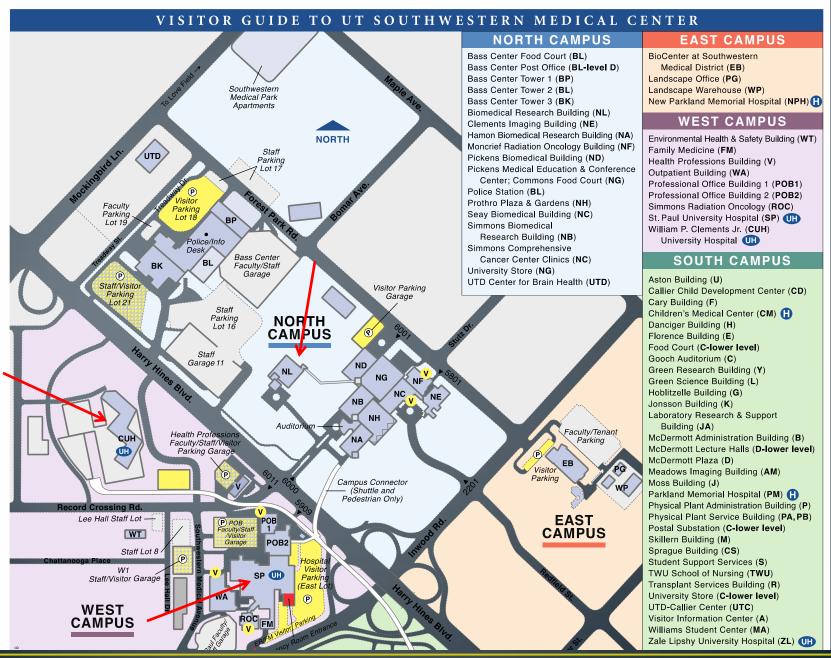
Changing Landscape

- New Medical School Curriculum
- ☐ Team Based Learning
- \Box Colleges
- □ Clinical Skills
- ☐ Simulation Center

Space Problem

Campus Construction Projects

- Biomedical Research Building
- New University Hospital
- ☐ Education Building
- ☐ Faculty Administrative Offices



The Original Story -2013

☐ 265,000 volume collection

☐ Reduce to 2,000

The Preparation

2011

- ☐ Collection Weeding Project
- 24 hour access
- Reduction In Force

2012

- □ Reduction In Force
- Collection Development Policy Revised

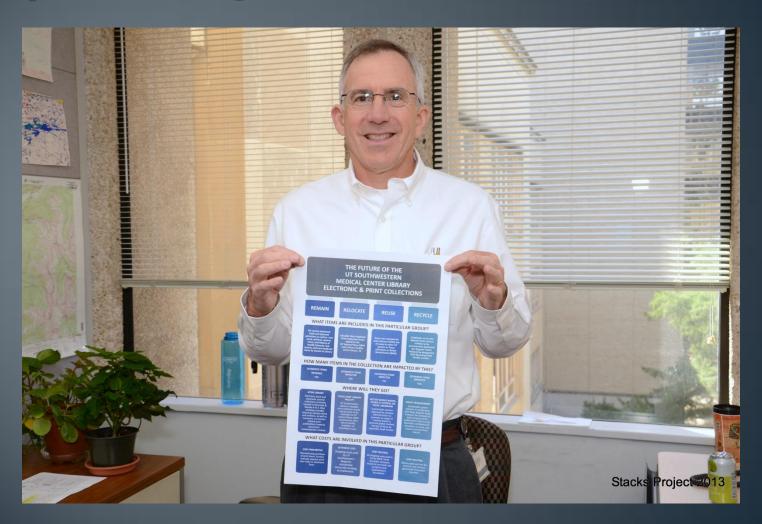
The Preparation

2013

- ☐ Joint Library Facility
- □ \$6.3 million
- □ 18,000 square feet

- Better World Books
- Collection Development Listservs

Project Manager – Richard Wayne



In the Beginning...



Library News

UTSW Library to end book circulation on August 19

August 14, 2013

The UT Southwestern Library will stop circulating books permanently on Monday, August 19, in preparation for moving the print collection to the University of Texas System/Texas A&M Joint Library Facility, located in College Station.

The Joint Library Facility (JLF) is an initiative of the UT and A&M library systems. Opened in May 2013 on A&M's Riverside campus, it is designed to store up to 1 million volumes in secure, climate-controlled conditions. Any library in either system may contribute volumes to the facility; there is no charge to the contributing library for storage. Once in the facility, materials are available to system libraries through interlibrary loan. Journal articles will be scanned and delivered by email; books will be delivered by a statewide courier service.

The UT Southwestern Library collection, recognized as the most comprehensive medical collection in Texas, will become the core of a shared resource used by students and faculty throughout the state, including the new UT System Medical Schools in Austin and South Texas.

The Library will retain a small print collection of titles held on reserve — as well as rare, unique, and archival materials — which may be used in the Library. The rest of the collection will be available electronically or through interlibrary loan. There will be no charge to request UT Southwestern Library materials located at the JLF.

The vacated space on the Library's middle and top floors will be used for new educational activities. The Library's collection of electronic books and journals will remain available through its website, http://library.utsouthwestern.edu.

Access

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Retain and Access

Reuse

Digital Library

Inventory, Weeding, Recycling

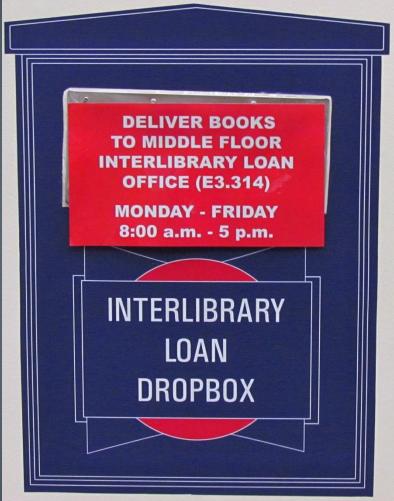
- \square 160,000 volumes
- □ 329 pallets
- Online Auction

Reference Desk

24 hour library access

iHub Kiosk and Branding Strategy







Empty Shelves



Empty Floors



What's in a Name?

Health Sciences Digital Library and Learning Center

- \Box Active Learning Center (6/2015)
- Quiet Zone Study Floor
- Clinical Skills
- Simulation Center

New Partnerships

- Office of Medical Education
- ☐ Academic Information Systems

- School of Health Professions
- Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences
- ☐ Sponsored Programs Administration
- Student Affairs

New Normal

☐ Service

Information

- ☐ Knowledge
- Place

Questions?

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