

University of Limerick New Glucksman Library



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The 1990's New Library



- ▣ Information Commons
- ▣ Group study rooms
- ▣ Dedicated training facilities
- ▣ Network points, sockets. Wi-Fi
- ▣ IT + Library help desk
- ▣ Library Café

The 2000's New Library

- ▣ Variety of learning spaces including silent
- ▣ Flexible furniture
- ▣ Practice presentations
- ▣ Core book collections and compact storage
- ▣ Merged help-desks
- ▣ Focus on multimedia
- ▣ Unique collections



2007–2011 Crisis + Change

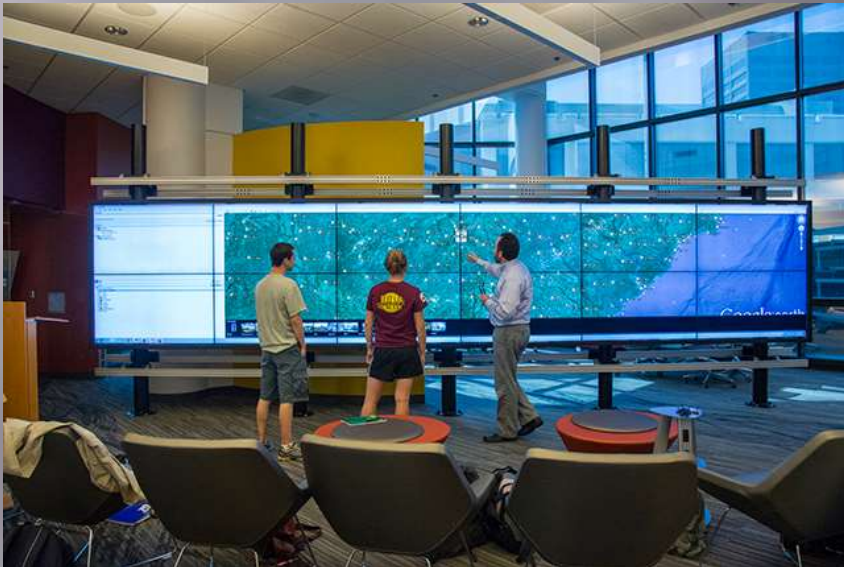
- ▣ New Library building cancelled
- ▣ 30% reduction in staff
- ▣ Sudden loss of skills
- ▣ Budget cuts and intense competition for funding
- ▣ More students
- ▣ Low morale
- ▣ Digital transformation
- ▣ Open Access and the scholarly record
- ▣ Always on - partial attention
- ▣ New behaviours
- ▣ New ways to connect
- ▣ Evolving scholarly practices

2011 Library Re-imagined

- ▣ Off site store - more study spaces
- ▣ Silent study-group study
- ▣ RFID lending/sorting
- ▣ Shelf-ready books
- ▣ Systems integration
- ▣ Digitisation unit
- ▣ Digital Library
- ▣ Initiatives linked to University strategy
- ▣ New research services
- ▣ Student engagement
- ▣ Exhibitions and events
- ▣ Campus partnerships
- ▣ Technology-enhanced learning
- ▣ Changed perspectives

New Library 2015/16

- ▣ Engagement +workflow
- ▣ Sharpen focus on research +scholarship
- ▣ Digital scholarship
- ▣ Data analysis + visualisation
- ▣ Digital display to showcase research
- ▣ Promote unique collections



New Library 2015/6

- ▣ Enrich the quality of learning-collaboration, silent study and creation spaces
- ▣ Technology rich
- ▣ Consultation + expertise
- ▣ Service programme
- ▣ Cultural experience – exhibition, events





Thank You for your attention
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