

News & Views

UNC Health Sciences Library

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Welcome to the New and Improved Health Sciences Library!

Imagine yourself –

- Having a spirited conversation with a colleague over a cup of coffee in the Friends' Café
- Joining a class on searching genomics databases taught by a librarian instructor in a large new 'hands-on' classroom
- Scanning articles and linking them to your course website
- Studying the actual letters of Florence Nightingale in a quiet, elegant reading room
- Working with a multi-disciplinary research team using high band width visualization tools in a new Collaboration Center
- Using the Internet and email on your laptop from anywhere in the building– even the café
- Meeting with your fellow students to use the computer, plasma screen, and whiteboard in one of the Library's fully equipped group study rooms to prepare an assignment or study for a big exam
- Getting answers to health questions from expert librarians

There is much more to explore in the New and Improved Health Sciences Library!

The Health Sciences Library's two-year renovation is in the final stages of completion– and you won't believe the changes we've made thanks to a voter-approved bond referendum and the generous support of our Friends. Two state-of-the-art classrooms have been designed for hands-on instruction in everything from bioinformatics to health literacy. In addition to the classrooms, a teleconferencing center and a Collaboration Center will be testing grounds for innovative technologies. Educational support is available in Media Kitchens equipped with scanners, course design software, and other tools. A large new lab will have computers loaded with the standard production software as well as Health Affairs courseware. A spacious conference room with videoconferencing



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The Rare Book Reading Room will provide a peaceful setting for scholarly research.

capabilities will be used to host receptions or lectures. A new History of the Health Sciences Suite will house our unique historical materials as well as a conservation lab. The suite will include a gracefully appointed reading room for researchers.

The new Library is colorful, elegant, and inviting. Warm cherry paneling and shades of burgundy, gold, and green welcome you as you enter either from the new Columbia Street entrance or from the refurbished MacNider entrance. A centrally placed User Services Desk locates book checkout and reference services all in one place. The distinctive architectural curves in the grand staircase, flooring, and columns soften the building's lines. New windows provide spectacular views of campus in all directions as well as increased natural light within the building. Electronic compact shelving houses a large part of the Library's print collection on a single floor, and "self service centers" locate copiers close to the collections. Comfortable seating can be found on every floor and library staff are always close at hand to answer questions and help patrons find what they need.



The renovated entrance facing MacNider features a brushed metal facade, new windows, and brick paving.

We invite you to come see the wonders of the *New and Improved Health Sciences Library* for yourself. We hope you will be as pleased as we are with the result. We can't wait to share our excitement with you!

INSIDE NEWS & VIEWS

- ◆ \$150,000 Grant from Biogen Idec Foundation
- ◆ Medical Alumni Association Electronic Information Center Named
- ◆ Board of Visitors Chair retires
- ◆ New Café Opening Soon
- ◆ Year of Celebration Planned for 2005

Biogen Idec Foundation Donates \$150,000 to Equip Teaching Classroom

The Biogen Idec Foundation has pledged \$150,000 over three years to equip a state-of-the-art library classroom as part of a \$12 million renovation of the Health Sciences Library at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The foundation is the philanthropic arm of Biogen Idec, a world-leading biotechnology firm.

"Our new library will play a vital role in ensuring that our graduates have mastered the information skills they need to advance science and provide the best health care," said Carol Jenkins, director of the Health Sciences Library. "It is only through the generosity of supporters such as Biogen Idec that this is possible."

The classroom is designed to help students discover, evaluate and apply information found in scientific databases and published literature. Basic and advanced informatics skills as well as refresher courses will be taught in the classroom, which will be equipped to enable users to access the vast and ever-evolving body of scientific knowledge.

Health and biomedical sciences librarians will join faculty from Carolina's schools of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing and public health to teach in the classroom. They will also use the space to create online instruction for distance education.

"We are delighted to support this important project in an outstanding university," said Jim Mullen, president and CEO of Biogen Idec.

Biogen Idec creates new standards of care in oncology and immunology. As a global leader in the development, manufacturing and commercialization of novel therapies, Biogen Idec transforms scientific discoveries into advances in human health care. The company's pledge to the Health Sciences Library counts toward the Carolina First campaign goal of \$1.8 billion. Carolina First is a comprehensive, multi-year private fund-raising campaign to support Carolina's vision of becoming the nation's leading public university.

Medical Alumni Association Continues Support of the Library

The UNC Medical Alumni Association, one of the most loyal supporters of the Library, has given \$200,000 towards the library's renovation. To honor that gift and a commitment of ongoing support, the library has named its central computing area the Medical Alumni Association Electronic Information Center. In this area, library users can access the catalogue, the library's electronic holdings, specialized on-line guides, and other web content.

Dr. James Harper, Director of the Medical Alumni Association, presented Library Director, Carol Jenkins with a check for \$10,000 in February 2004 as part of the Association's continuing commitment to the Library, in addition to the already fulfilled \$200,000 pledge.

"The medical alumni continue to recognize the importance of the Health Sciences Library to the education of our students as well as faculty and house staff. We will continue to support the Library's work," said Dr. Harper upon presenting the check.



Carol Jenkins with Dr. James Harper

Reception Honors Retiring Board of Visitors Chair

On Friday, June 25, the Health Sciences Library held a reception honoring Don Knight as he retired from his position as the Chair of the Board of Visitors. Under Knight's leadership, the Health Sciences Library conducted a successful Capital Campaign to raise funds supplementing the voter-approved bond funds designated for the Library's renovation.

Carol Jenkins spoke about the first time she went to meet with Knight to ask him to join the Board of Visitors ten years ago. Even at the beginning, he knew how important libraries are to science and to health care, and had a clear vision for the pivotal role that information and technology play in our lives.



Susan and Don Knight with Carol Jenkins

"We knew we had found someone who shared our passion for libraries, someone who had what it takes to help us win support from others," said Jenkins.

During the reception, Knight remarked, "this library helps people all over the state get the information they need to make good decisions. They believe in their public service role and that is why I believe in them."

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Health Sciences Library Prepares for a Year of Celebration

Though it may seem like there is not much going on at the library besides construction, we have many exciting events planned to celebrate the new spaces and capabilities that will soon be ready. Many of these dates are subject to change, so keep up with our website for the latest news.

Countdown to Completion: November—December 2004

- Final building inspections
- New entrance on Columbia Street opens
- Staff and services move to permanent locations on upper floors
- Rare books return from storage in Wilson Library
- Friends' Café opens (see full story below)
- Display installed in new exhibit cases in entryway
- Sneak preview tour for Deans of the Health Affairs Schools

New Library Celebration: January—April 2005

- Health Sciences Library Board of Visitors meeting and Friends of the Health Sciences Library Reception
- Installation of a new donor wall honoring Friends of the Health Sciences Library & Capital Campaign donors
- Official ribbon cutting and dedication of special named areas, including the Medical Alumni Association Electronic Information Center and Biogen Idec Classroom
- ATN Computer Lab to open January 12
- Collaboration Center to be launched
- NCBI workshop scheduled for February 15-16
- Healing Garden of medicinal plants will be cultivated in the courtyard and areas near the café



The Friends' Café will be a relaxing and inviting place to meet friends or study



*Friends' Café Mugs:
a great way to support
the library*

New Friends' Café to Open

One of the most frequently asked questions throughout the renovation has been "When is the café going to open?" Students and faculty will soon have a new place to get a caffeine fix: The Friends' Café. When the café was first planned, the library did not have permission to install a full-service coffee shop. Students quickly organized their support for the café. The response was overwhelming and plans for the café went into production. The café, operated by Bob & Aviva's and Student Stores, will be ready to

open for business shortly after the renovation is complete.

As a fundraiser, the Friends of the Health Sciences Library is offering beautiful Carolina blue coffee mugs for \$10 to celebrate the opening of the new Friends' Café. All money from sales goes to the Friends of the Health Sciences Library, which supports the library in a number of ways, including enhancing collections and updating technology. These insulated mugs are approved for use in the library—perfect for keeping your coffee at hand while you study. A mug would make a perfect gift for a friend, professor, or family member this holiday season and you can feel good about supporting the library.

Join the Friends of the Health Sciences Library

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Your #1 Source for Health Information

The Health Sciences Library staff is dedicated to providing the information services you need, when and where you need them. While this is a challenge during renovation, we do our best to meet your needs so don't hesitate to ask. Our completely renovated website <http://www.hsl.unc.edu> is available 24/7

Library staff is available to help you during all our open hours. Simply drop by the building or pick up the phone, 919-962-0800. Try Live Online Help to receive an interactive tour of resources while "chatting" online with a library staff member. This service is available Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Any question related to library services, resources, or research can be sent anytime via email. Bookmark <http://www.hsl.unc.edu/asklib/> to find these services quickly next time you need assistance finding health information.



Help is available at our central service desk



Group Study rooms make sharing projects and studying course materials easy with plasma screens for projecting the contents of your laptop computer.

UNC Health Sciences Library Hours

For current schedule information, visit our website www.hsl.unc.edu/geninfo/hours.cfm

Monday-Thursday	7:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Saturday	11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Sunday	11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.



New compact shelving in the basement allows us to keep our print collection on site for easy access to older books and journals.



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