MAKING AN IMPACT!

Advancing Student-Centered Learning at Purdue University

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“Employers said they need workers who can collaborate with colleagues to solve problems and who can engage in thoughtful analysis and integrate contextual organizational details rarely found online.”

Allison Head & John Wihbey
Campus Partners & Collaborating on Course Redesign

Changing Role of Libraries and Librarian Contributions

Evaluating Learning Spaces to Support Active Learning

Identifying Elements for Developing Faculty Learning Community
ACADEMIC LIBRARIES TODAY

CHANGES IN HIGHER EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY

- Rapidly changing technologies
- Increasing amounts of digital information
- Scholarly publishing
- Teaching and learning changes
- Scholarly communication
- Federal agencies
- Increasing calls for accountability
ACADEMIC LIBRARIES TODAY

CHANGES IN HIGHER EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY

Then

• Library as study space
• Course reserves and assignments
• Collections role

Now

• Library spaces redesigned for teaching and learning
• New models for collections and access to resources
• Instruction in library use is radically different
• Moving from *collections*-centric to *engagement*-centric

• Library spaces as *learning* spaces
LESSONS LEARNED

ADMINISTRATIVE VIEWS

Look Outward
• University needs, initiatives, motivations

Interact
• Partner
• Collaborate

Think!
• Scale
• Scale
• SCALE

"An engaged liaison seeks to enhance scholar productivity, to empower learners, and to participate in the entire lifecycle of the research, teaching, and learning process."

-Jaguszewski & Williams
LIBRARIAN AS INSTRUCTIONAL PARTNERS

INSTILLING RESEARCHED-BASED PEDAGOGIES

- Research-based best-practice pedagogies
- Information literacy expertise
- Interdisciplinary
- Collaborative
- Scholarship of teaching and learning research

Librarians working with IMPACT, 2012
How do librarians on your campus support institutional goals for learning?

How could you work with librarians on your campus to maximize their support for learning?

“LEVERAGING LIBRARIAN EXPERTISE”
A PARTICIPANT EXERCISE
OUR MISSION

Redesign foundational courses by using research findings to create student-centered, teaching and learning environments.

Faculty Redesign Teams

Student-centered learning in the classroom
Purdue Move: Change the way learning occurs

Redesign 60 courses a year

By Fall 2016 at least half of the undergraduate population will be enrolled in an IMPACT course

Redesign 180 core courses
Purdue Core Curriculum

Implemented in 2012

Foundational & Embedded Levels

Over 250 courses approved for the foundational outcome

43 of the core courses have been through IMPACT
Purdue Libraries holds **LEARNING** as one of three major strategic goal areas.

Purdue University has Big Move to **CHANGE THE WAY LEARNING OCCURS**

Natural for Purdue Libraries to be support and take a lead in the campus-wide course redesign effort via **IMPACT**
COLLABORATIVE ENTERPRISE

ROLE OF THE UNITS INVOLVED IN THE COLLABORATION

- Financial Support: Provost’s Office, President’s Office, and Extended Campus

- Support Staff: CIE, Libraries, ITaP, and Extended Campus

- Program Assessment: DLRC and CIE

- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning: DLRC, CIE, Libraries, and ITaP
• 14 weekly meetings of instructors and support team members

• Flipped model

• Teams meet independently bi-monthly
IMPACT LIBRARIANS

SUPPORT & EXPERTISE

• Team of 3 people that typically includes a librarian work with a group of 3 classroom faculty

• Librarians alternate between team leaders, secondary team members or consultants

• Librarians provide pedagogy support and information literacy expertise
• **Biology** - course refocused from having students complete information literacy “tasks” to asking students to **develop** and **explore** a personal question that can be answered by biology.

• **Communication** - course shifted from a “library/research day” focused on decontextualized skills to more **integrated** information literacy approach, with topics sprinkled throughout the semester.

• **Environmental engineering** – new module added where students learn to **locate** and **analyze** city data to inform environmental problems and environmental design solutions.
ANALYZING THE IMPACT

- 119 courses transformed since 2011
- 10 of 11 colleges participating
- 29 course transformations in progress for Fall 2014
- Average course grades are higher in the presence of a high student-centered learning environment

![Bar chart showing number of redesigned courses by colleges since the beginning of the IMPACT program.](chart)

**Exam Scores Before and After the Redesign for the Three Redesign Models.**

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Statistics taken from STAT 113 Redesign by Ellen Gundlach
IL & IMPACT COURSES

FOCUS ON INFORMATION LITERACY

• 49% had IL focus (n = 22)
• Of the 49%:
  • 27 % added IL component for the first time (n = 6)
  • 32 % IL became a major focus (n= 7)

(from cohorts 1, 2 & 3; 45 courses):
• **Statistics**  
Using social networking media to enable students to become savvy consumers of statistics

• **Biology**  
Refocusing information literacy as using biological information to answer personally relevant questions

• **Honors**  
Influencing students to be multi-dimensional thinkers seeking to collaboratively change the world

Examples
Draw the learning space you would envision for 60 students.

Draw the learning space you would envision for 180 students.

What technologies would you use in this environment?

Would they differ between a 60 and 180-person classroom?

“VISIONING” ACTIVE LEARNING SPACES

A PARTICIPANT EXERCISE
In IMPACT courses, how does the learning climate in IMPACT classrooms compare with the learning climate in non-IMPACT classrooms?

What technology is being used in IMPACT classrooms during courses that are a part of IMPACT?

How do pedagogies in IMPACT courses differ in IMPACT rooms versus non-IMPACT rooms?

How is technology being used in IMPACT classrooms during courses that have been redesigned through IMPACT?
**PHYSICAL SPACES**

**NOTABLE FINDINGS**

**Active Learning Spaces**
- Students in IMPACT courses in active learning spaces spend **significantly less time** in lecture activities and **more time** in problem-solving, higher-order thinking, and student collaboration than those in non-active learning spaces.

**Learning Climate**
- Student perception of learning climate is **higher** in active learning spaces versus non-active learning spaces.

**Technology**
- Students use technology to participate in student-to-student interaction during face-to-face contact 61% of the time in active learning spaces, versus 41% of the time in non-active learning spaces.
IMPACT
CLASSROOMS
Student perceptions of active learning spaces in IMPACT courses, Spring 2013.
On a 7-point likert scale (with 7 being the highest)—

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ACTIVE LEARNING

ENGAGEMENT & COLLABORATION

• A teaching/learning methodology characterized by student's' engagement in activities that require greater responsibility for the knowledge they gain.

• Is collaborative and is premised on students and instructors being mutually responsible for the knowledge and academic success as an outcome of learning activities.

• Enhanced IMPACT curriculum transformation

• Enriched learning environment based on the close proximity between teaching and study space.
ACTIVE LEARNING CENTER

COLLABORATE | SUPPORT | GIVE

• Combines 6 libraries into 1

• A collaboration between the Office of the Provost, Purdue University Libraries, College of Agriculture, College of Engineering, College of Science and College of Technology, the ALC facility will be the hub for the IMPACT Program and “changing how learning occurs”, one of the ten Purdue Moves as recently cited by President Daniels.

Collaborative Learning Halls

- One 465-seat lecture hall
- One 325-seat lecture hall & theatre
- One 225-seat lecture hall & theatre
- One 180-seat collaborative lecture hall for small teams
- One 120-seat collaborative lecture hall for large teams
- One 90-seat lecture hall

Collaborative Classrooms

- Two 108-student rooms
- Two 90-student rooms
- Two 90-student rooms
- One 60-student room
- Seven 50-student rooms
- Six 40-student rooms
LESSONS LEARNED
SUPPORTING STUDENT-CENTERED LEARNING

- Assessment; Office of the Provost
- Registrar
- Institutional Review Board
- Space Management
- ITaP for Tech Teaching and Learning
DISCUSSION
DEVELOPING & EXPANDING STUDENT-CENTERED LEARNING INITIATIVES

What is the role of libraries in your institution? As partners?

How can/do you facilitate partnerships on your campus?

Where does active learning happen on your campus?

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