

Pollak Library Transitions

Academic Affairs/Academic Senate Retreat August 16, 2011 The library is not a shrine for the worship of books. It is not a temple where literary incense must be burned or where one's devotion to the bound book is expressed in ritual. A library...should be the delivery room for the birth of ideas...

Norman Cousins, 1954

Library Expenditures per Student



UC Irvine \$920

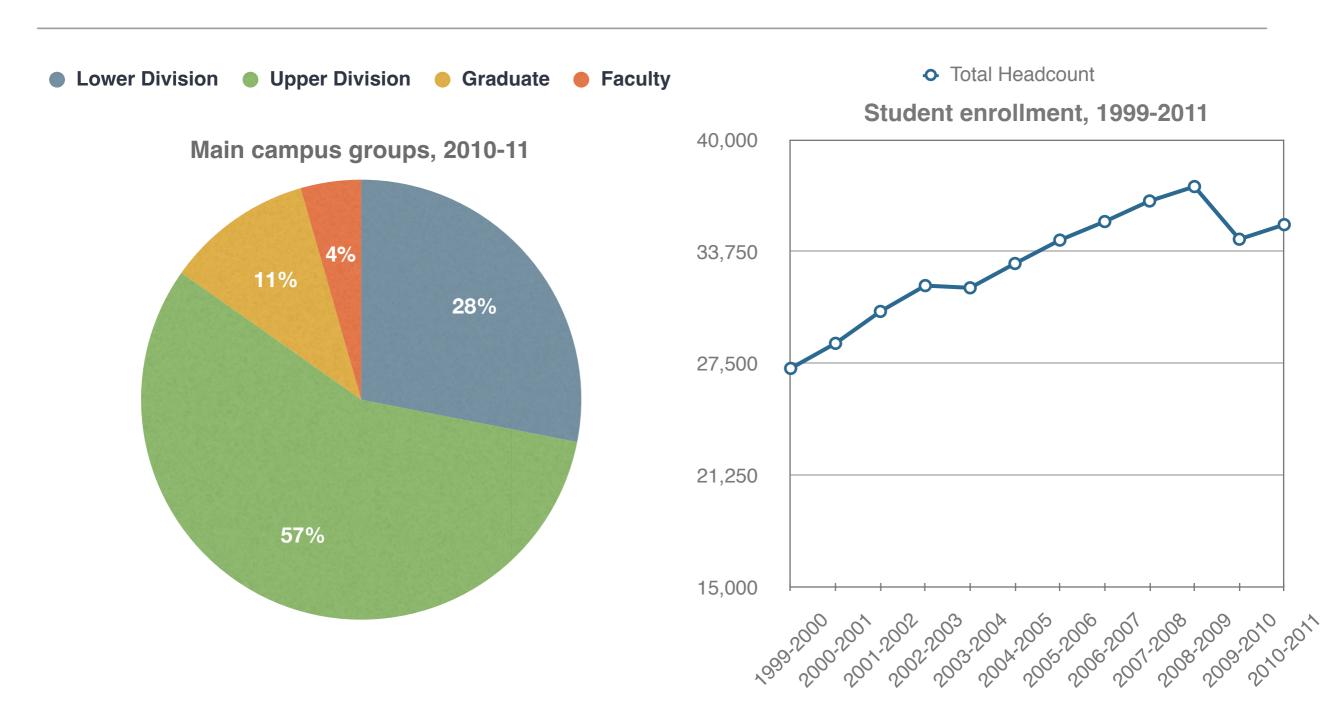


Cal State Fullerton \$202

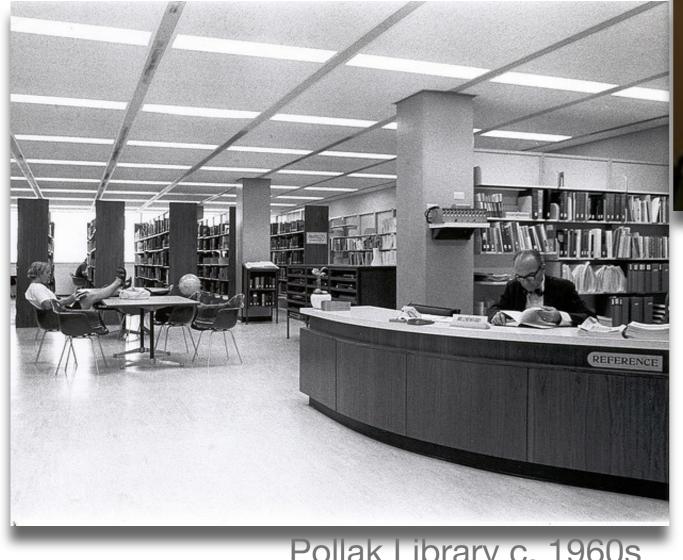


Fullerton College \$8

Our Primary Users



Evolving from the Traditional Library to the 21st c. Library



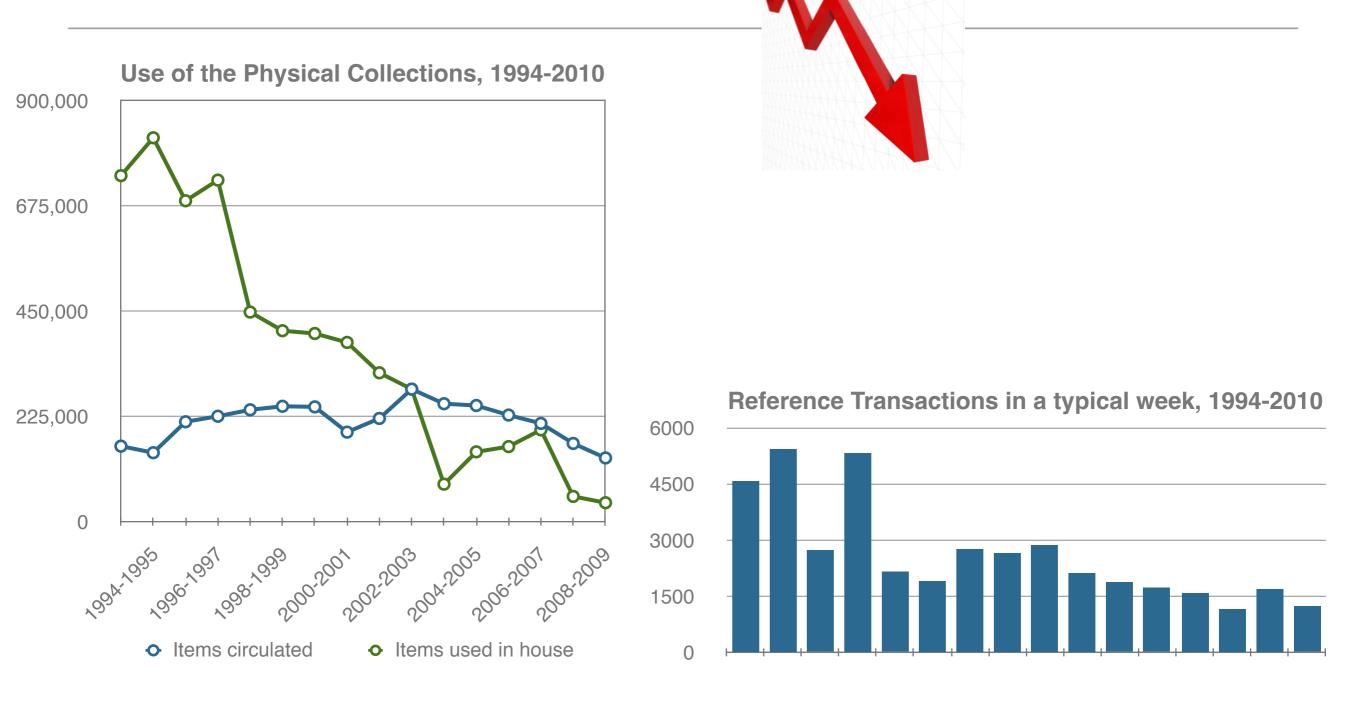
Pollak Library c. 1960s



Cal Poly, 2011

- Collections
- Space
- Personnel

Traditional Library Trends



21st Century Library Trends

Website visits

968,731

Web page views

2,189,472

Link resolver requests (SFX)

657,457

Interlibrary loan requests

28,073

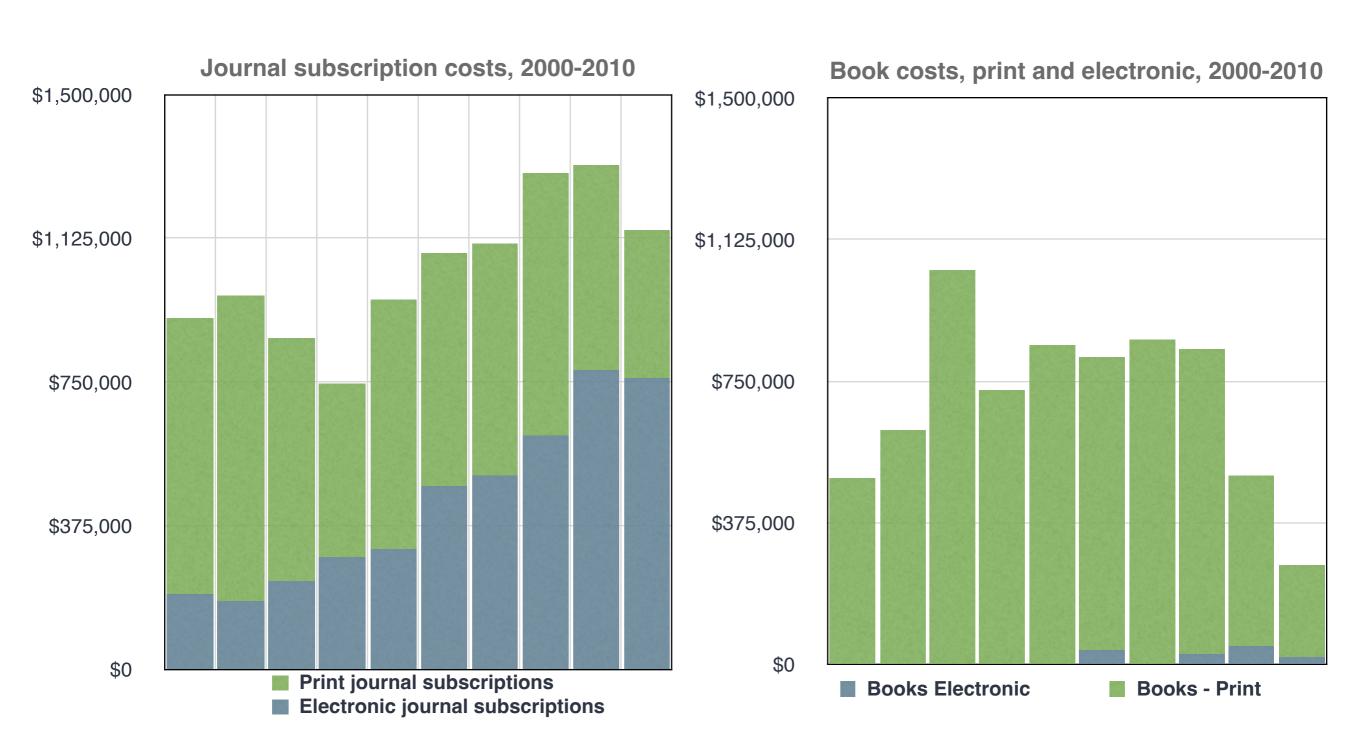
Gate count in typical week

91,048

Collection transitions



21st Century Collection Building





Leveraging \$\$ through CSU consortial licensing of electronic resources

Systemwide Cost Savings in 2010-2011

\$7.5 million

Number of journal titles available to CSUF thanks to centralized purchasing

35,111 titles

The Limits of Open Access

- The Library makes available almost 30,000 open access or free publications
- The Library is willing to collaborate on open access initiatives at CSUF, but campus buy-in is required.
- Most scholarly publishing requires licensing or purchase because the publishers own the copyright.



"Just in case" book purchasing

Sample of about 70,000 books from several call number ranges

Books purchased in last ten years

About 70% of books circulated

Demand driven acquisition -

Just in time instead of just in case

Faculty requests

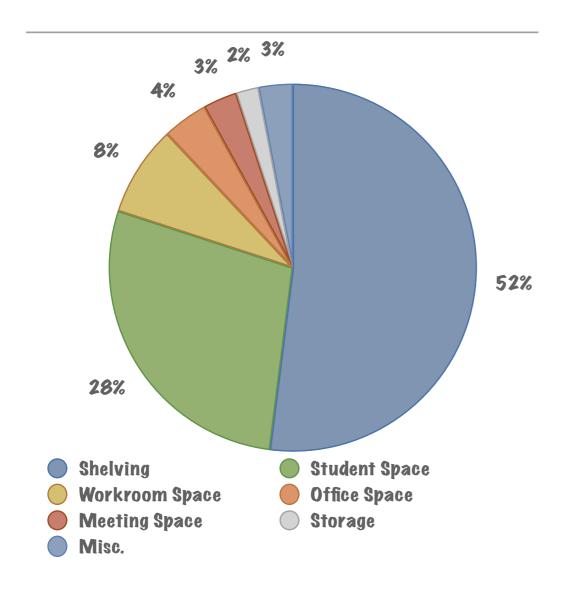
Buy Not Borrow

RightsLink



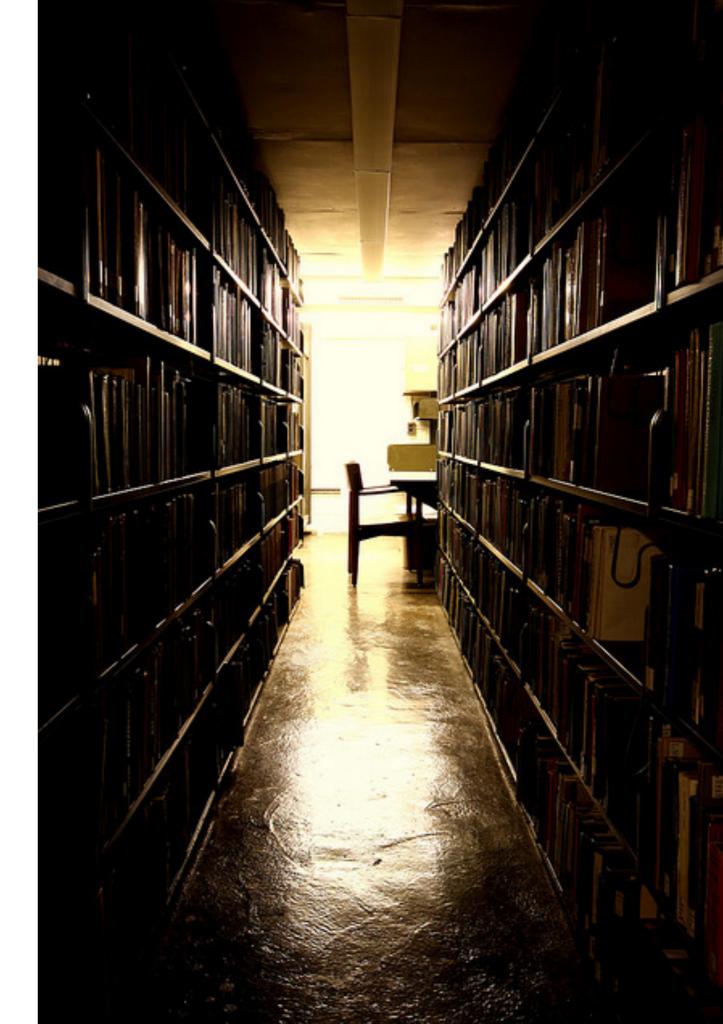


"Right-sizing" physical collections



Where are the low use collections?

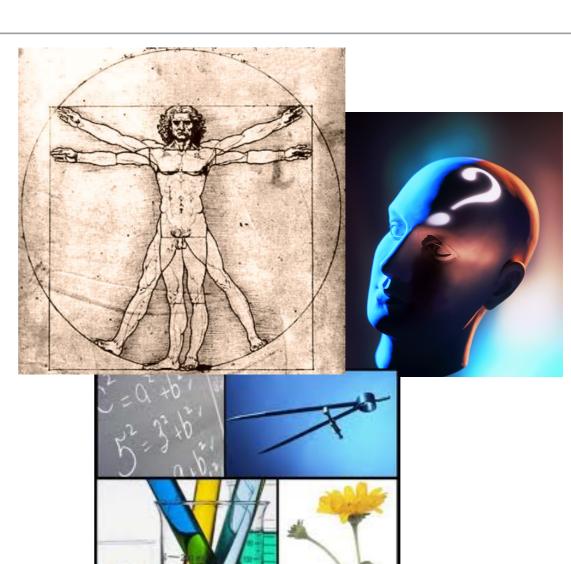
Do they occupy space better utilized in other ways?



The Disciplines: One size does not fit all

Sciences and social sciences dependent on journal literature.

Humanities and the arts more dependent on books and primary sources, like archival collections

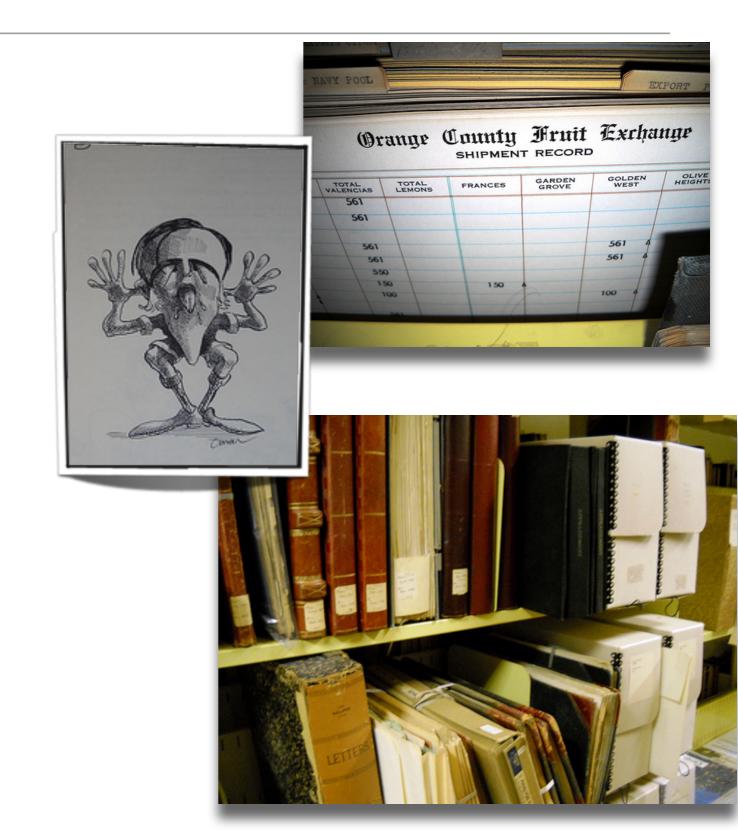


University Archives and Special Collections

An area in the library where physical collections are likely to grow substantially.

A joint, climate controlled, archival facility is planned for the sixth floor to be shred with the Center for Oral and Public History.

Digitization projects will improve access to the most important collections.



Library Space as Learning Space



Quiet study space



Computer space



Collaborative space

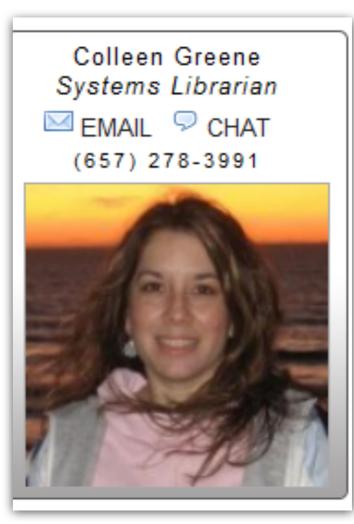


Social space

Personnel Transitions

- From item-by-item processing of physical materials to global management of electronic resources
- From large numbers of staff to leaner staff with more expertise, especially in the disciplines and technology
- From staffing of library service points to embedded librarians









CSU Comparisons

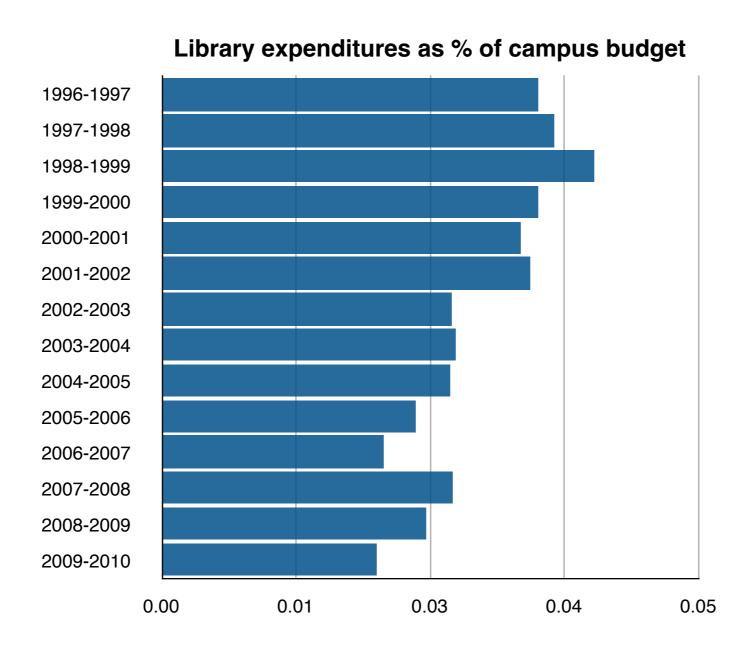
Number of students enrolled: #1 out of 23 campuses

Total library expenditures: #8 out of 23 campuses

Number of staff: #9 out of 23 campuses

The number of staff per student: #23 out of 23 CSU campuses

Paying for the 21st century Library







Usage of electronic resources: #1 out of 23 CSU campuses

Inflation money

Highest level of customer satisfaction: #1 out of 7 CSU campuses surveyed

WASC Commendation

Flexible and committed faculty, staff and administrators

Parting thought

A university is just a group of buildings around a library.

Shelby Foote



Okay, so we exaggerate...