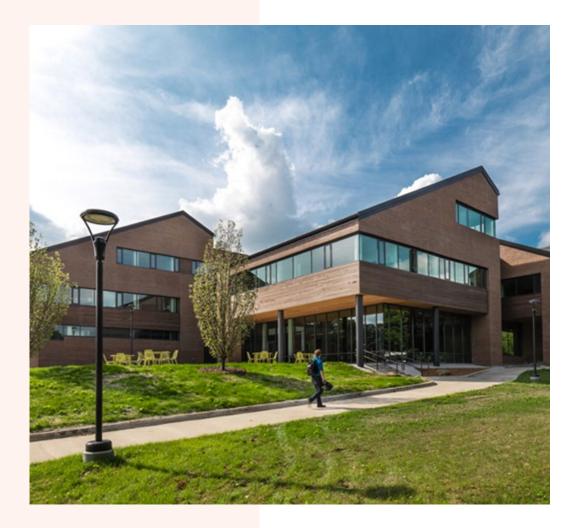
# "Creating a 'Common' Ground for Student and Faculty Support"

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### About us

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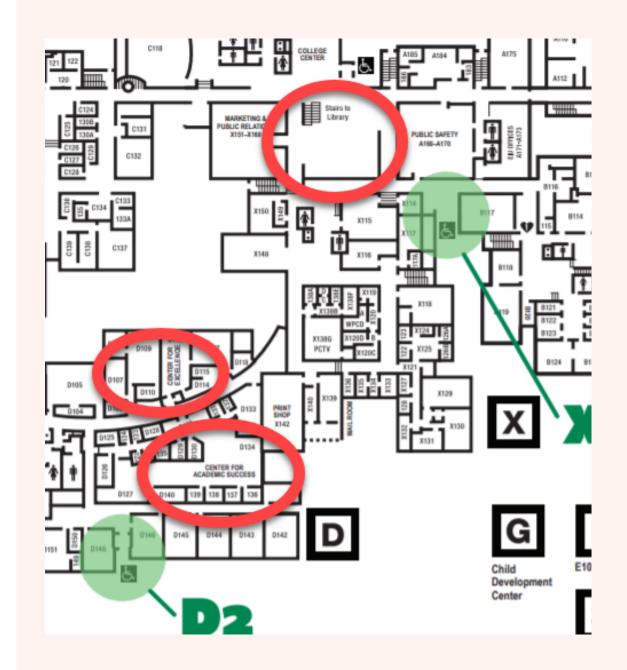


# **Student Support**

- Center for Academic Success (D120)
  - > Writing Lab
  - > Peer Tutoring
  - Academic Development
- Library (X wing /R)
- Presentation Center (C wing)
- Computer Technology Center (second level D wing)

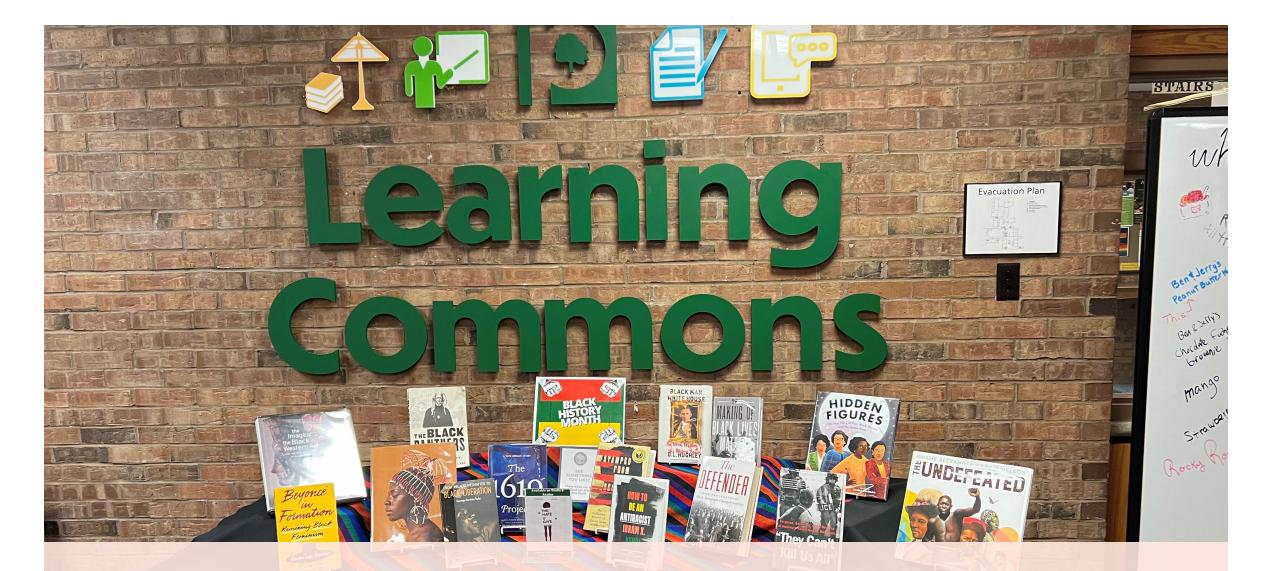
## Location, Location, Location

- D Wing (upper and lower
- X Wing
- C Wing
- U Wing



## **Time for Change**





And thus, the Learning Commons was born.



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## SWOT

#### Strengths

- Centralized location
- Team environment
- Physical space (so much of it)
- Continuation of services with little disruption from moves
- College television station falls under this division

#### Opportunities

- Piloting initiatives for instructional technologies
- Expansion of online support services
- Grant opportunities for larger "entity" rather than smaller individual units as before

#### Weaknesses

- Personnel struggles with move
- Communication of intent by college
- Physical space (layout)
- Online environment (Teams) struggles

#### Threats

- Momentum
- Administration can change mind
- Funding (when grants run out)



# Strengths

#### Centralize Location & Space

• Library was already occupying two stories at the center of the college campus

#### Team Environment

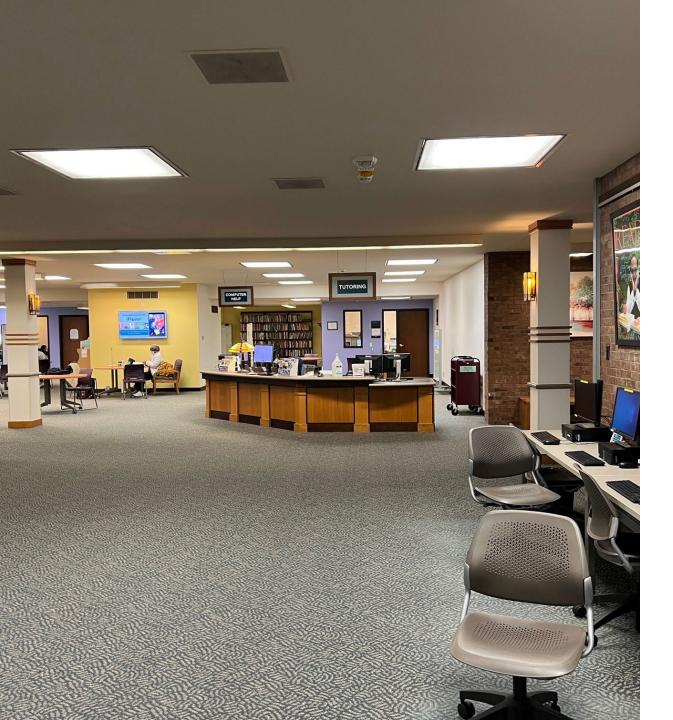
• One large cohesive team instead of smaller groups

### **Un-interrupted Service**

• During construction and software updates, we were still open for business

### PCTV

• Professional television studio and staff to create instructional videos as well as television programming



### Weaknesses

#### Personnel

• Change is hard

#### Communication

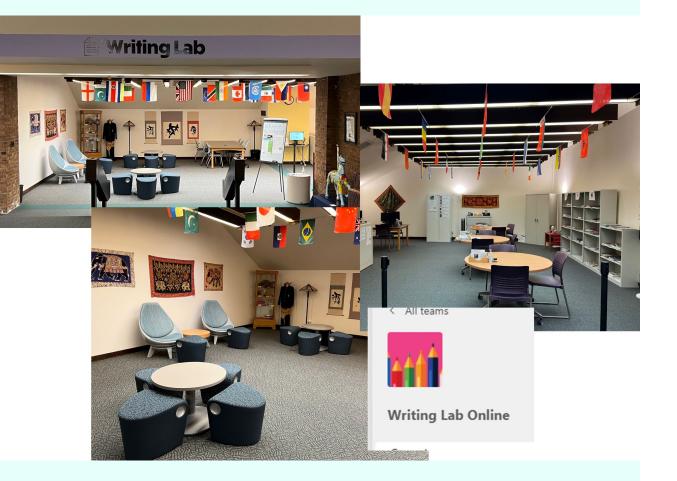
• Managing perceptions

#### Space

• Lots of it, but oddly positioned architecturally

#### **Technical Issues**

• Institutional technology changes at same time



# Opportunities

#### **Instructional Tech Pilots**

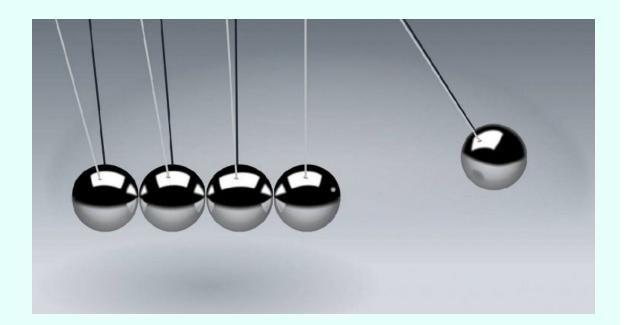
- Faculty support
- Student engagement

#### **Online Program Expansion**

- Online tutoring
- Writing Lab
- Presentation Center
- Computer Technology Center

### **Grant Funding**

• Larger division versus smaller units



### Threats

#### Momentum

• Good now, but what if runs out?

#### Administration

• What if change minds?

### Funding

• What if grants dry up?



## Results (so far)

- Tracking system in place to collect student visits
- Grant funding for more tutors
- Grant funding for accessibility remediation
- Training sessions



### Future Growth

- Addition of tutoring for more courses
- Addition of academic development support
- Instructional technology training/support
- Presentation Center
- Computer Technology Center
- Television programming for community learning



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