

## Affordable Course Materials




## Case Study: Introductory Biology Courses

- During the first summer session of 2018, a free textbook from the OpenStax platform/repository was used in a Bio 1111 section with 30 students, replacing a $\$ 90$ textbook. A copy of the OpenStax textbook was made available via Blackboard, and a print copy was made available on Reserve at the library. Students in that class saved \$2700.
- In fall of 2018, the same textbook was used in Bio 1111 (two sections), Bio 1113, and Bio 1115. Students in these classes saved a total of \$37,000.
- Feedback from students: Students in each course this fall were surveyed to gather feedback on the textbook. Big takeaway: students find that free/open textbooks are either higher in quality or the same in quality as for-purchase textbooks. Another takeaway is that providing access to a textbook online helped students feel better-prepared for class.

Number of E-books in the Collection (not including DDA)


Digital Repository Service Usage


## Continuing Evolution of Snell Library

## Library Entries

In September 2018, there were 246,000 entries into the library in one month


Library Entries
(Sept. 2018)


## Room Utilization

- In 2018, we surpassed 100,000 hours of use for both group and individual study rooms for the first time:
- Group rooms were booked approx. 102,000 hours.
- Individual Rooms were booked approx. 105,000 hours.
- Snapshot: In October 2018, in the 16 hours from 8am to midnight:
- The most booked room was CoLab F ( $1^{\text {st }}$ floor). It was booked $99 \%$ of the time.
- The least booked room was DMC 4 (2nd floor). It was booked $78 \%$ of the time.
- Most collaborative spaces are now fully booked a week or more in advance.





Services

Workshops in the Library, 2017 (blue) vs. 2018 (orange)


Growth in course-based workshops: FY19 compared to previous years



## Northeastern Commons

## The Global Resilience Institute is committed to informing and advancing societal resilience around <br> the world.

## Learn More

Nicky Agate deposited Precision Targets: GPS and the Militarization of U.S. Consumer Identity in the group War Studies on Humanities Commons 3 months ago

For most people in the United States, war is almost always elsewhere. Since the Civil War, declared wars have been engaged on terrains at a distance from the continental space of the nation. Until the attacks on the Worl Trade towers and the Pentagon in September 2001, many people in the United States perceived war to be conflicts between the... [Read more]


William Cotter deposited Do Military Leaflets Save Lives or Just Instill Fear? in the group War Studies on Humanities Commons 4 months ago

Contribution to SAPIENS magazine, pre-pub version


Alice White deposited British Army Area Commands \& Command Psychiatrists (Appendix E) in the group War Studies on Humanities Commons 4 months ago
This illustrates the psychiatrists who were appointed to Area Commands in the British Army during the Second World War, along with their commanding officers and other psychological staff at that Command. I found it a challenge to pin down people to places and times when researching my PhD - hopefully this will save others some trouble!

## Group Admins



Groups 101

Activity: A centralized place to view all group activity.

Events: A shared group calendar for conferences, lectures, classes, and other events of interest to this group's members.

Discussion: Your home for conversa-
tion. Use the Discussion area to communicate with other group members: ask questions, promote publications and events, request feed-


