

# BOSTON COLLEGE LIBRARIES

## *Value Beyond Discovery*

*As intellectual and cultural centers and community spaces for Boston College, the University Libraries acquire, preserve, and facilitate access to world-class collections, engage in collaborations that benefit scholarship, teaching, and learning, and support student formation and discernment in the Jesuit, Catholic tradition.*

### Serving

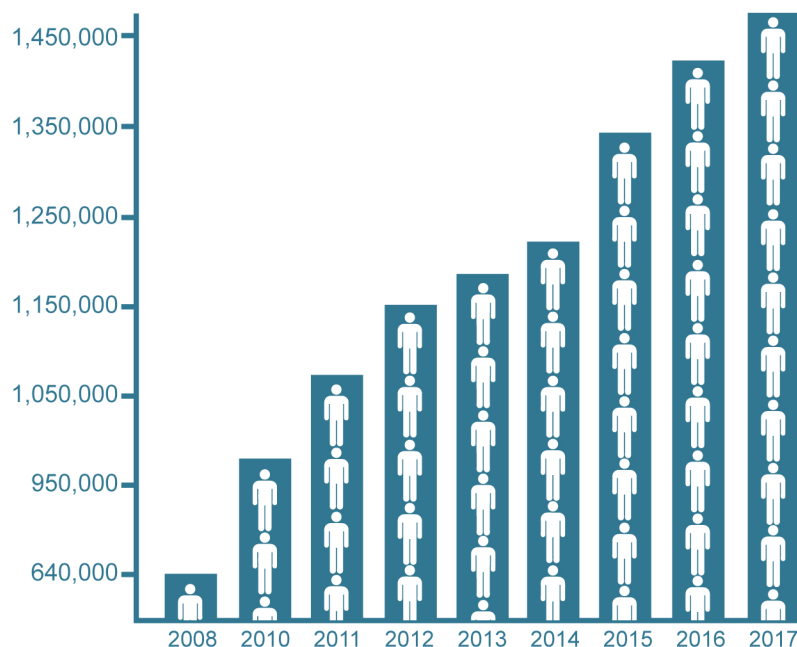
- > Global Outreach in a Digital World
- > Scholarly Content
- > Student Formation and Engagement
- > Collaborating and Partnering with the BC Community

### Evaluation

- > Is it good for the user?
- > Is it good for Boston College?
- > Is it the right thing to do?
- > Is it sustainable?

- Over 2,164,200 visitors to the Boston College Libraries during the past year.
- 129 full-time staff members across six libraries. The BC Libraries employ over 450 student workers each year.
- Over 400 library instruction sessions offered in the last year.
- Digitized 549 items in Fiscal Year 2017, making them available to users around the world.
- More than a dozen Open Access journals are published by the libraries.
- 30 collections and 300 linear feet of archives opened for research.
- Our collections continue to grow with us adding 27,914 print monographs, 12,620 ebooks, and 2,991 ejournals over the last year alone.

### Growing Use of O'Neill Library since 2008



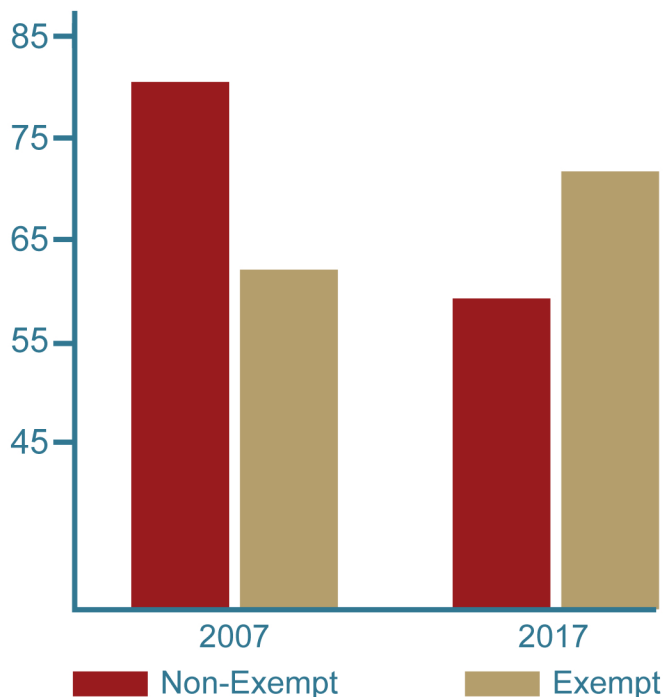
### eScholarship@BC repository content by contributor

Faculty	Boston College Research Centers	Graduate	Undergraduates
2,005	1,400	1,480	532

for a total of **5,417** works available online

## A Staff Transformed

We recruit staff who are **Collaborative** and **Creative**, who understand that libraries are about **Content**, and who embrace **Change** and Boston College's Jesuit, **Catholic** mission.



New programs have been developed through a rigorous process of assessing and redefining existing library positions as they become available. Through that process, the library has created and expanded exciting new programs:

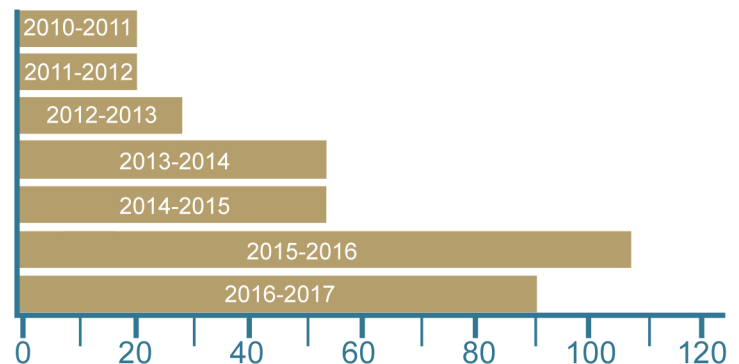
- Digital Scholarship
- Digital Library Development
- Assessment & Outreach
- Expanded Instruction
- Student Engagement with Special Collections

## Challenges

- > Program and content support for Integrated Sciences
- > Data management and manipulation for research and teaching
- > Managing escalating costs for content acquisition, licensing, and off-site storage
- > Transformative spaces for academic discovery and engagement

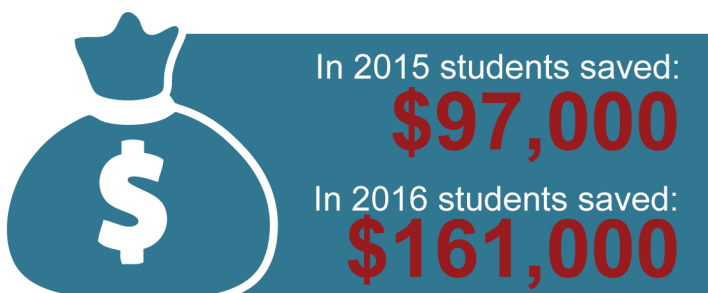


## Burns Library Instruction Sessions



## Transforming Our Spaces

- O'Neill renovations included 295 additional user seats, Level One egress, reconfigured flexible spaces and furniture conducive for study, research, collaboration and research consultation.
- Collaborations with the CTE helped bridge student and faculty technology support.
- Digital Studio created to support Digital Scholarship and technology enabled research projects.
- Social Work Library completely renovated. Use increased 62%.
- Educational Resource Center renovated to create an integrated learning commons.
- Theology & Ministry Library renovated to create exhibit hall and flexible user spaces.
- Refurnished Burns Library classrooms to facilitate hands-on learning and started construction of new digitization lab.



## Affordable Course Materials Program