

# BOSTON COLLEGE LIBRARIES

## Value Beyond Discovery

*As intellectual and cultural centers and community spaces for Boston College, the 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



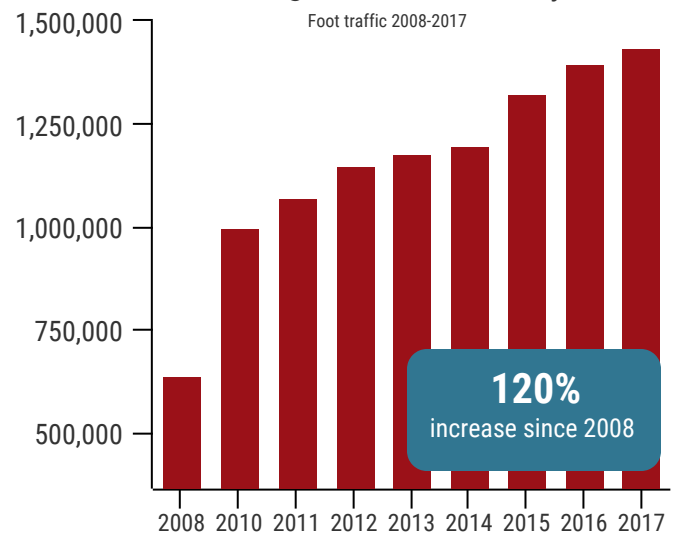
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Increase in digitized collection items online since 2010

- Over 2,000,000 visitors to the Boston College Libraries during the past year.
- 30 collections and 300 linear feet of archives opened for research.
- Over 404 library instruction sessions offered in the last year.
- Digitized 549 items in Fiscal Year 2017, making them available to users around the world.
- We offer alumni access to 14 online databases of scholarly materials, allowing them to continue to make use of the Libraries' collections from anywhere in the world.

### Growing Use of O'Neill Library



### New services and initiatives

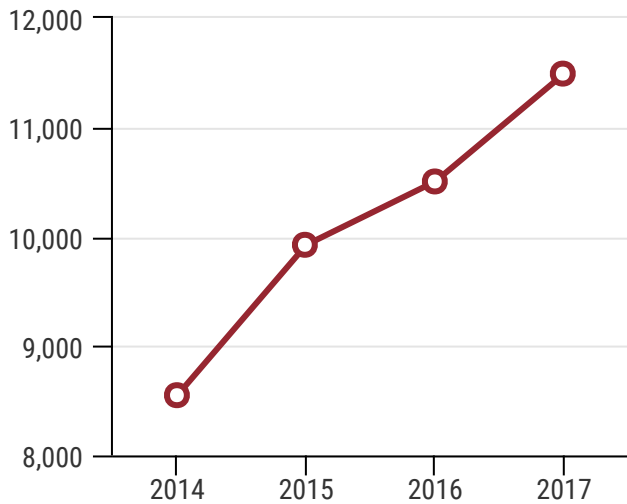
to meet the changing needs of BC students and scholars:

- The first ever **Digital Scholarship Incubator** was hosted in Fall 2017. 14 scholars developed projects employing digital scholarship tools and techniques.
- We continue to build tutorials that offer support for **digital scholarship, multimedia, and visualization projects**.
- BC's first **GIS Cohort** will be led by the Libraries AY2018-19. The ATAB-sponsored series will train 8 faculty members in methods to incorporate geospatial technologies into their research & teaching.
- We continue to formalize our **data services**, including building partnerships across departments to meet developing data needs.
- With a new **Data & Visualization Librarian**, we have expanded data services through one-on-one consultations and in-demand workshops on Tableau data visualization.



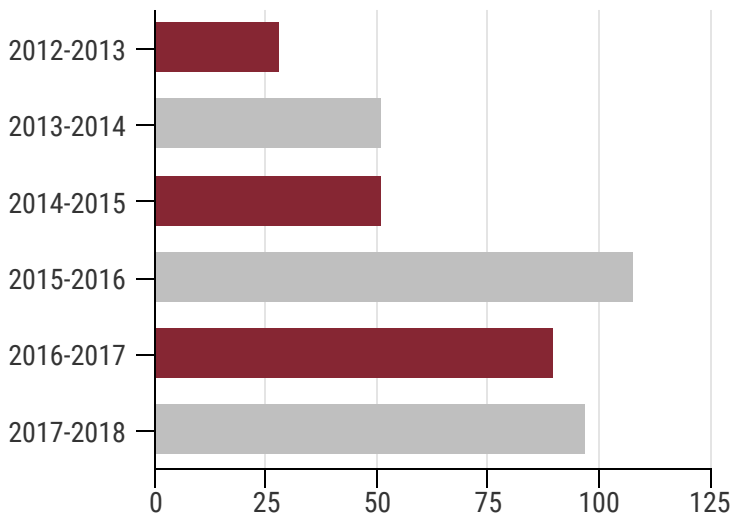
### Number of reference questions per year

2014-2017



### Burns Library Instruction Sessions

2012-2018



### Affordable Course Materials Program



In 2015 students saved:

**\$97,000**

In 2016 students saved:

**\$161,000**

In 2017 students saved:

**> \$300,000**

### In the last year:

- We have hosted 106 participants at our Coffee & Code training sessions in the Libraries' Digital Studio.
- Our subject librarians have offered over 1,000 one-on-one consultations on research topics across all disciplines.
- We have collaborated with faculty across disciplines to support the creation of affordable course materials and their research in Open Access journals.
- We have provided support and advice for new programs across campus, including the Lynch School of Education's new online master's program, Woods College's new master's in healthcare administration and sports administration, and the Connell School of Nursing's new Doctor of Nursing Science programs.
- Over 1,800 students attended instruction sessions taught by the staff of the John J. Burns Library.
- We continue to develop vibrant user-centered spaces that embrace learning, research, and collaboration, and welcome active partnerships to this end.
- Our collections continue to grow with us adding 26,991 print monographs, 27,196 ebooks, and 1,652 journals over the last year alone.

