“I have long been concerned that the academic library in the digital age was going to become obsolete, but you guys have masterfully navigated the digital transition and have continued to make the library relevant and useful for today’s medical learners. Thanks for providing ever-expanding services and making information available in a painless manner.”

– Faculty Physician

**HELPING OUR LEARNERS | STUDENT SUCCESS**

- **$123,432** student savings through Board of Regents textbook affordability initiatives
- **60** students worked with new Learning Specialist to strengthen key academic skills
- **277** documents reviewed by writing consultant

**Discovering**
- **54,783** searches of licensed databases
- **15,663** views of e-books
- **1,685** total interlibrary loan requests
- **40** librarian consultations for systematic reviews
- **3,003** answered reference questions
- **240,639** full-text downloads from e-journals

**Teaching**
- Library faculty taught **55** classes
- **526** hours of Zoom support for **6,367** learners
- **47** in-training exams on library computers certified by library staff

**Healing**
- **396** searches in evidence-based practice resources
- **153,471** uses of UpToDate

“I really appreciate you validating me and my struggle with ADHD, especially when it comes to studying.”

– Medical Student
In academic year 2021, the ground floor of the library was converted into a **24/7 student commons and lounge space**. This is the first-ever comprehensive remodel in the library, and represents an investment of hundreds of thousands of dollars in student space.

**The Commons Space Includes:**

- Two new group teaching rooms, bringing the total on the ground floor to four. Each room is equipped with ceramic white boards, as well as TVs which allow professors and students to project their laptops through AppleTV.
- New lounge furniture with cup holders
- Power outlets at every table and throughout furniture
- New lighting that reduces eyestrain and saves energy
- Height-adjustable rolling desks
- Rolling white boards
- Art provided by Feist-Weiller Cancer Center patients participating in the Arts in Medicine program
- New wall and ceiling paint
- New carpet and vinyl composite tiles
- Additional Wi-Fi spots
- Additional security cameras

“I wanted to personally reach out and say how amazing the library basement is! Studying at school all last year was really hard for me because I couldn’t find a place on campus where I could be both comfortable and productive. I’ve been studying in the basement for the past week and have gotten so much done! Thank you for all the work you do!”
- Medical Student

**The Lounge Includes:**

- 65” TV
- Comfortable seating
- Vending machines
- Refrigerator/freezer
- Two new microwaves
- Ceramic white board