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Introduction & Purpose

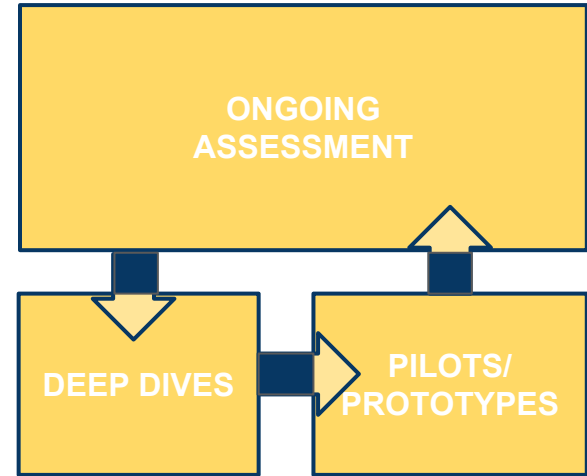
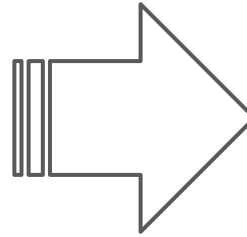
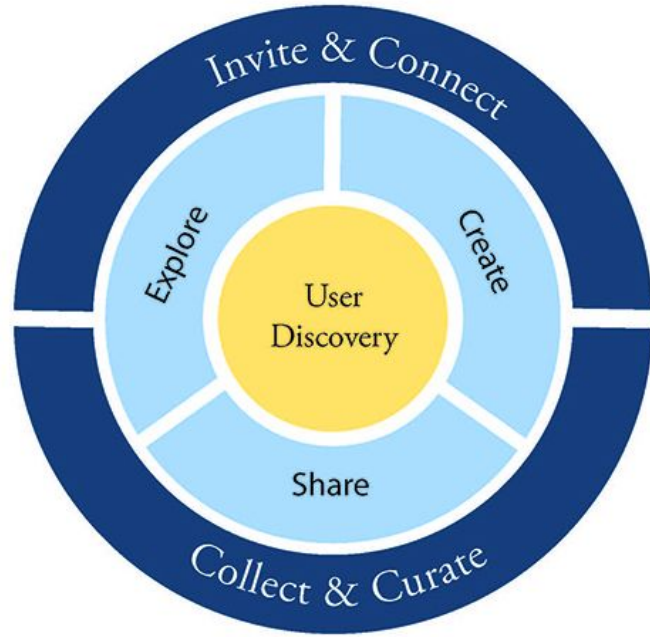


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Service Design Process

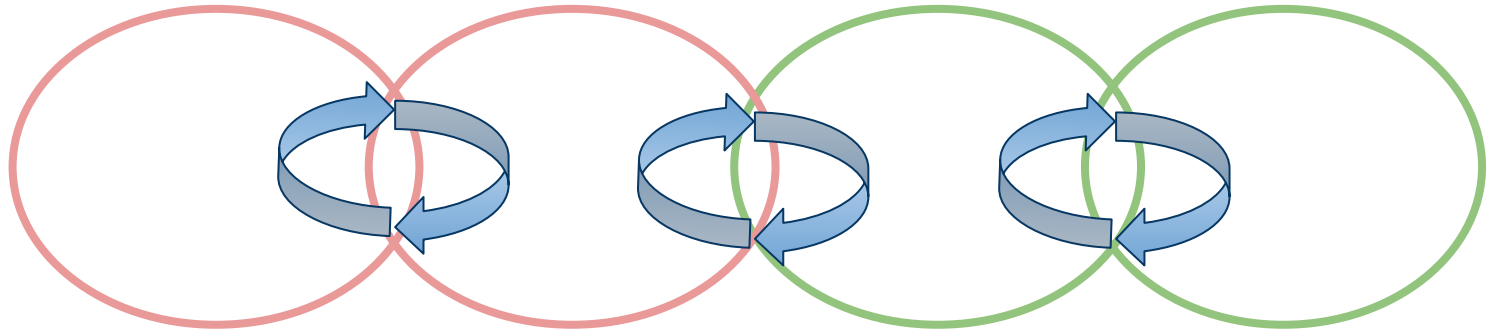
Exploring Issues

Analysis

Generating &
Exploring Ideas

Synthesis

1 to 2 semesters of work



Dive into issues from diverse perspectives against different time considerations

Clarify what is important to who and why

Create and explore alternatives from different perspectives

Define how to explore implications of new concepts and build knowledge

Design Methodology & Approach



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User Experience and Engagement

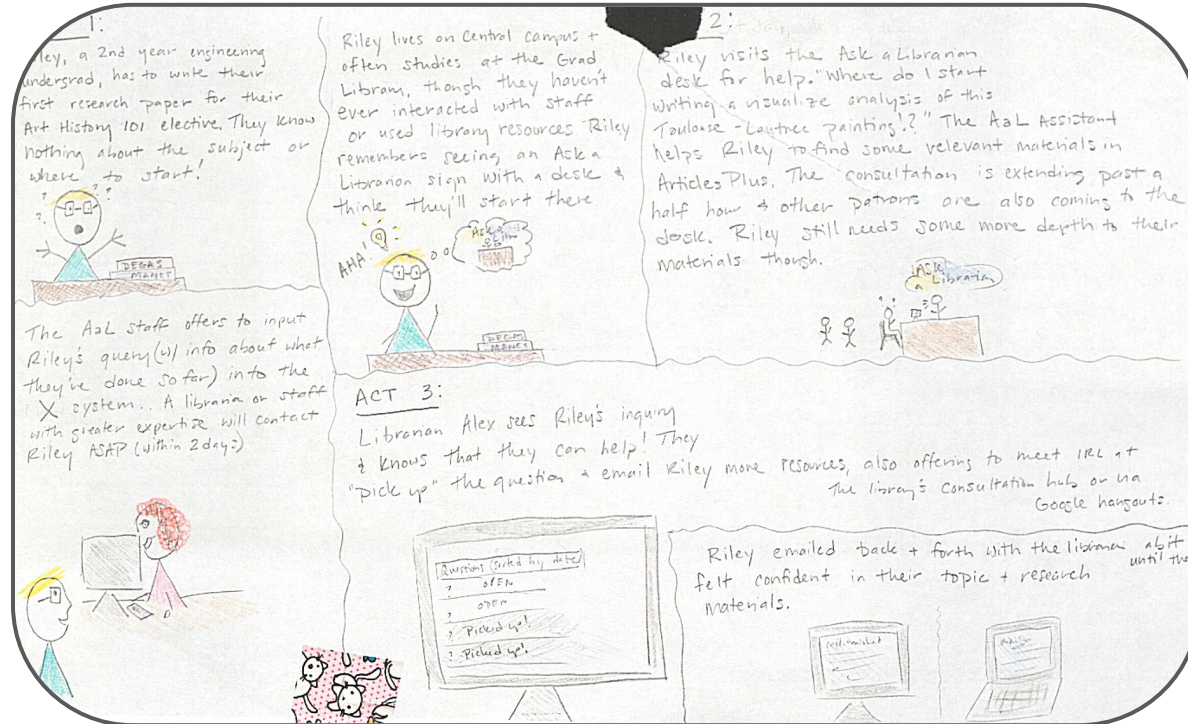


Image: Examples of user story from service design team work.

Service Design Teams



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Deep Dives: Staff Innovation

Manager and Staff Engagement

- What does “innovation” mean to our organization?
- What could a culture of innovation look like at U-M library?
- How does this impact the ways in which we invest in our staff and managers?

needed to contribute to an environment
a recognition (not an already done) that emphasized what
was considered
maybe - the senior management on their own can do the
recognition
contributing to help a sense community is defined or given
attention - it's the knowledge only the people see and what
you/they do they
- staff needs not
communicating
for vs against

Environment of Innovation

- More support: managers, financial, other resources
- Value different work more equally. Defining as innovation is not necessary.
- Recognition: top down and peer to peer
- Separate recognition email or notification
- Weekly recognition
- Value "smaller work"
- Define innovation broadly
- Look beyond large projects. What are people doing in their everyday work?
- Heads and managers should actively encourage participation
- Appreciation across levels of staff
- Examine how different divisions or units recognize or define innovation
- Talking about recognition but not reward
- There's a sense that we can't all be innovators because only the shiny things are highlighted
- Ability to fail
- Able to try something new without having to ask
- "Safe" working place where we can express opinions without fear of intimidation

Images: Examples of feedback and coding from staff workshops

Pilots and Prototypes: Consultation

- Take portions of the service blueprint and test in physical settings.
 - Furniture configuration
 - Technology
 - Pedagogical context

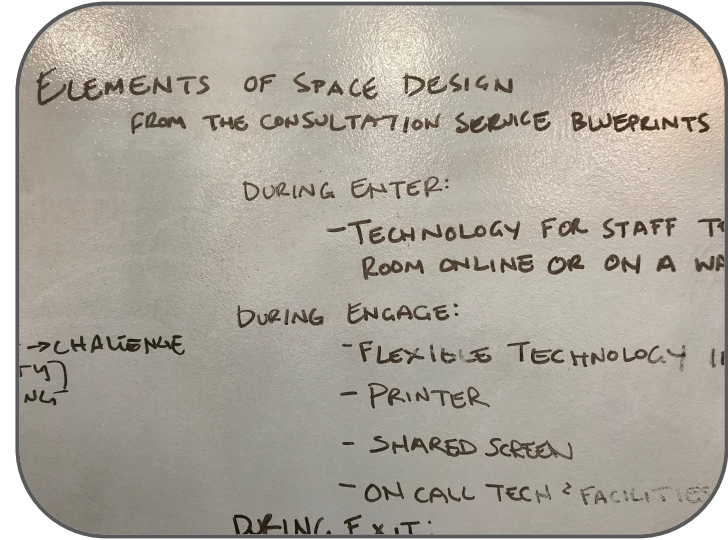


Image: Photo of notes from initial workshop to design space prototypes.

Pilots and Prototypes: Consultation

- Develop the triage and tracking portion of consultation
- Pilot with subject teams
- Explore new technologies

The screenshot displays the 'Ask a Librarian' website interface. It features three main sections: 'Email', 'Instant Message', and 'Call'. The 'Email' section describes using an email service for questions and reports. The 'Instant Message' section prompts users to type questions when librarians are online. The 'Call' section provides a phone number. A fourth section, 'Make an Appointment', is circled in red and contains a 'New!' announcement about self-scheduling consultations with library staff, followed by a link to 'Book an appointment online.' Below this, it mentions contacting a 'subject specialist' for in-depth research consultations.

Ask a Librarian

Email

Use the [email service](#) to ask library and research-related questions, to send comments, or to report technical problems with resources.

Instant Message

Type your question in the box when librarians are [online](#).

Make an Appointment

New! We're testing self-scheduling of consultations with library staff. [Book an appointment online.](#)

You can also call or email a [subject specialist](#) in your area of study to arrange an in-depth research consultation.

Call

Librarian call (734) 761-8878

Ask a Librarian

Type here to chat. Press ENTER to send.

Stakeholder Engagement: Library Lifecycle

- Existing library research
- Campus reports (enrollments)
- Library traffic
- Peer studies

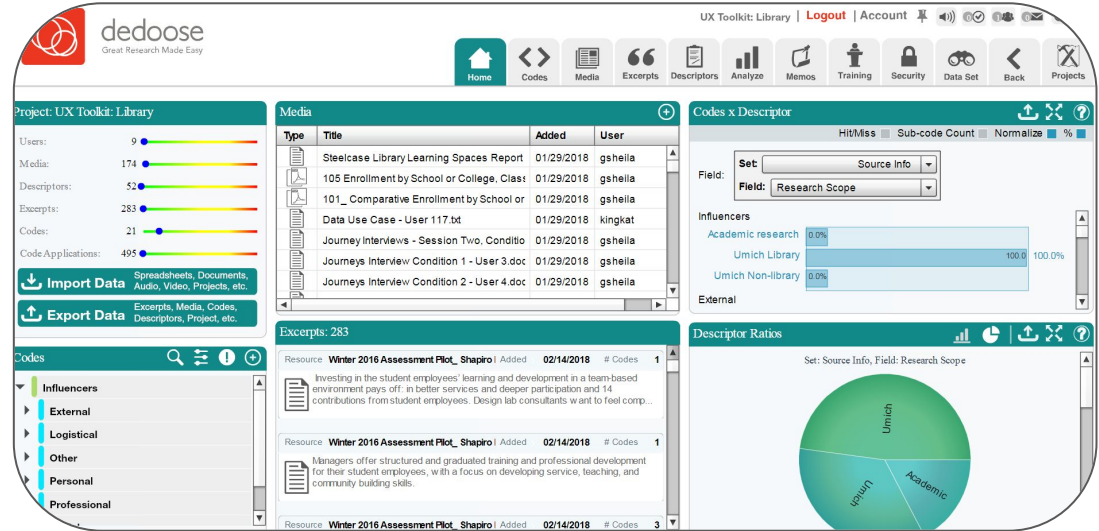


Image: Data from existing research coded in Dedoose.

Stakeholder Engagement: Library Lifecycle

- 30 structured interviews
- Introduced based on personal identities
- Coded against existing research



Image: Identify wheel used to begin interviews with campus users.

Findings



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Team Experiences

CHALLENGES	OPPORTUNITIES	TAKEAWAYS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Time commitment and schedules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dedication to process and outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Workload management
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Disconnect to leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Visible application of principles and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● More visible commitment by leadership
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Trust and communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Shared team experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Diffusion up/down/across

Process Itself



Value & Practical Implications



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Value to Organization

Service and Space Principles

Enhance the Platform for Discovery through foundational changes to physical and digital space usability, access, and navigation.

Accelerate Partnerships in Scholarship by engaging with library users and working with them throughout the service experience.

Deliver as One Library with a shared service philosophy and improved library staff workspace.



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Our Process and Next Steps

PROJECT PHASES

**SERVICE
EXPERIENCE**

**RESEARCH &
SYNTHESIS**

**IDEATION &
PRIORITIZATION**

**PROTOTYPE
& PILOT**

**DECIDE
IMPLEMENT
RE-ASSESS**



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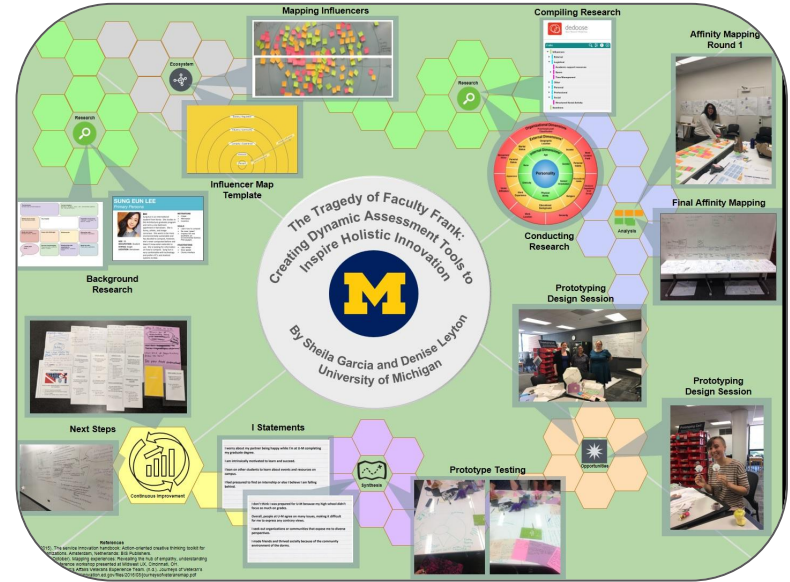


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Check out the Library Lifecycle poster this afternoon!



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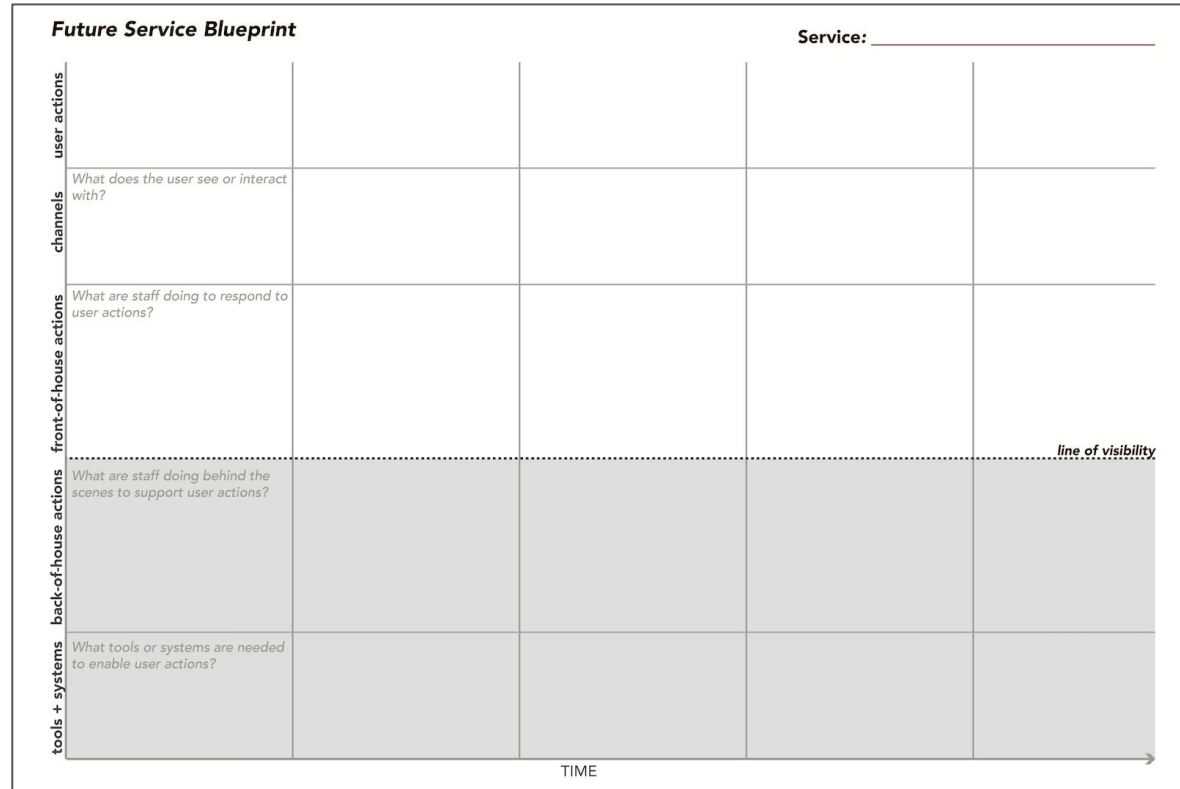
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Service Blueprint (brightspot strategy)

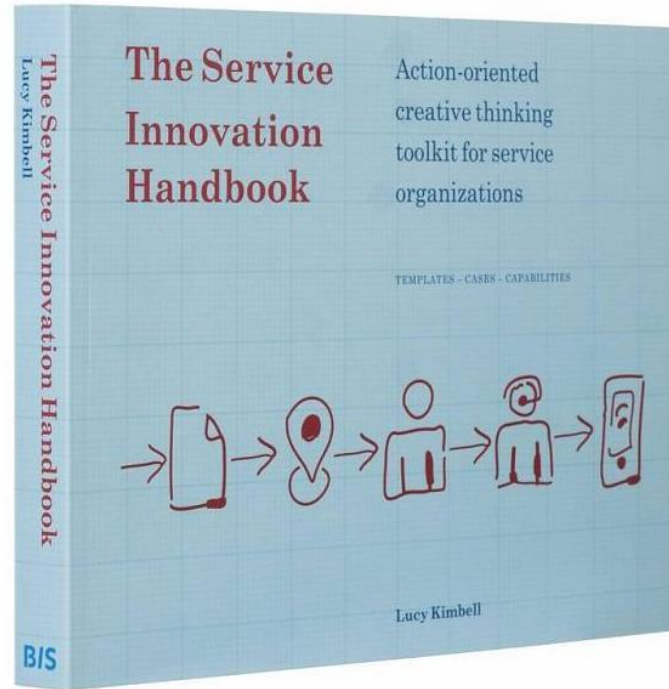


Personality Trait Wheel

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Service Innovation Handbook



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