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Facilities:



The Pharmacy Building, built in 1930, became home for the Geosciences Library in 1970. The Library was on the 1st floor, left side of photo.



Left: Ana Gonzalez - student assistant; Virginia Carter - Map Curator; Matt DeCoursey - student assistant; Carolyn Laffoon - Professional Librarian; Norman Levin - graduate student



Earth and Atmospheric Sciences Library home since 1988. 2nd floor, new wing (left side), Civil Engineering Building



Terry Wade, Library Assistant in the EAS Library workroom



Dr. Wm. Zimmerman, "Zimny" perusing new magazines in main study area.



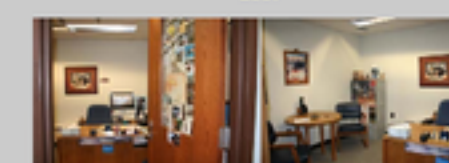
Claire Alexander, Map Curator, with student assistant in Map Room



Students studying in main study area. Note workroom, circulation desk, and reference area in mid-upper left hand corner.



Minerals Display cabinet and globe in aisle outside of librarian's office



Professional Librarian's office/conference room

Technological Progression:



Remember card catalogs?



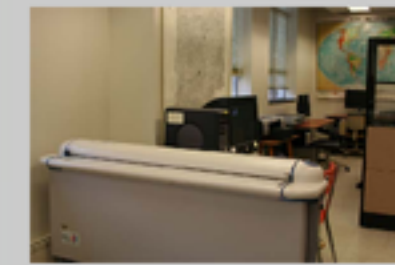
Map Room



Map Room



Newly created GIS Lab, located in the Map Room, contains 4 computer terminals and scanners, including a 55" flat map scanner.



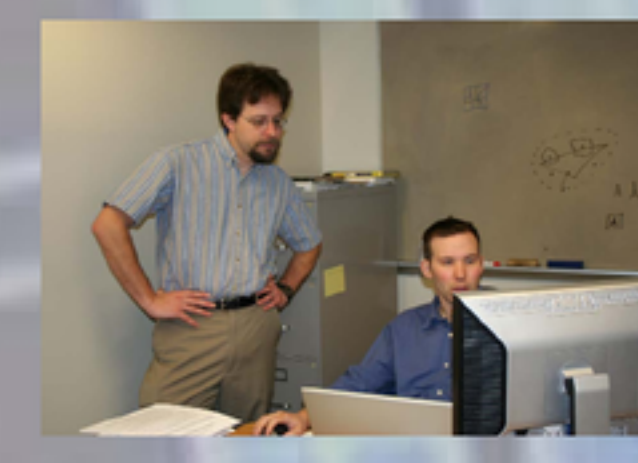
Compact storage allows 3x the storage in the same amount of space. EAS Library holds one of only two public access compact storage units on campus.



Print catalogs, journals, and several books are replaced by online databases and catalogs, e-journals, as well as many ebooks. Ask-A-Librarian IM live reference assistance is available from your desktop and supplements face-to-face reference.



Chris Miller, GIS Librarian



Michael Fosmire, Physical Sciences, Engineering and Technology Libraries Division Head with Chris Miller, GIS Librarian, in GIS librarian's office.



EAS Library entrance/exit Note: electronic security gates

Aerial Photos 1929-2005



First campus map taken "in part from aerial photographs by Air Service, U.S. Army. Control by U.S. Geological Survey. Surveyed in 1926 in cooperation with the Military Department, Purdue University." Stadium Mall was an open field. Note plans for football stadium in upper left hand corner.



1925-1929 plans



Pharmacy Building shown on this aerial photo as first building on newly formed Stadium Mall. Note, Cary Quad was non-existent as well as the Field House. Can you find the Union and University Hall?

1929



Stadium Mall becomes two lanes. Howde Administration Building appears in this aerial photo as well as Chemical and Metallurgical Building across from Pharmacy. Cary Quad and Field House appear under construction. Cary Quad and Field House show up in this photo. Can you find the old smoke stack shadow?

1939



Civil Engineering building is built south of Chem & Met Building. Student Hospital is built at NW end of Stadium Mall. Note the "temporary building" next to Pharmacy as well as 5 more at end of Mall. This last "temporary building" was demolished in 2006. They were built by WPA after WWII in the late 1940's. Note, no Math Building yet. Stewart Center is here.

1963



In this photo, Pharmacy moves to new building south of Student Hospital. Geosciences moves into old Pharmacy Building. Physics (south of Chem & Met) gets a new addition. Circle Mall is still accessible from Northwestern Avenue. Mackey Basketball Arena is completed. Note the shadow cast by the Math Building, at 10-stories, it was reportedly the tallest building on campus.

1971



Geosciences, renamed Earth and Atmospheric Sciences, moves into new addition of Civil Engineering Building. Old Geosciences Building becomes Slesman Hall of Student Services after large addition. Nursing Building is added south of new Pharmacy. Circle Mall is closed off by MSEE (Materials and Electrical Engineering) Building. The new fountain is added to the Circle. Traffic is shifted off around Circle Mall. Northwestern Parking Garage is built.

1990



"WPA Temporary Building" removed to make way for new Bell Armstrong Engineering Building, next to Civil Engineering. Stadium Mall returns to single lane, emergency traffic only. Can you find the old smoke stack shadow? (It's gone.) However, there is a shadow cast by the newly constructed Bell Tower. Can you find that? Fred and Mary Ford Food Court is added west of Cary Quad. Note the newly renovated Football Stadium. Color makes the Math Building shadow more distinct. The old fountain, formerly in front of Howde Hall of Administration, finds a new home between Matthews Hall and Stone Hall.

2005



"This version puts the 1929 aerial photo on top of the 2005 aerial data, with a color-coded (randomly) set of campus buildings on top of both. All within Google Earth, I zoomed out a little to get some topography and relief."

Chris Miller