Library Space and its Relationship to Services

- Different specialty libraries have different needs
- Pressures from campus re: space
- Why don’t we tie in/replace computer labs? Get some more support for space
- Need to develop vision for the space first before talking to campus
- Why do some spaces ‘belong’ to Library (e.g. computers, printing, etc.)
- Keep faculty needs in mind, too, in addition to students
- Are services tied to physical collections? Can they be separate?
- Tech Services – support user services. Does it have to be on campus?
- Use our space to leverage with the campus to get something we want. Including ourselves as users
- Library brand – can articulate why we’re vested in computer uses, etc.
- Perhaps we won’t need all space once we digitize? Develop plan to address all concerns
- Assess: funds better spent maintaining space v. new way of digitizing?
- 1/3 of subject specialty libraries are under pressure to give up space – need to plan quickly
- Space can be asset and liability – requires staffing which could be used for other things