Evolution of a Concept: The Mary Idema Pew Library Learning and Information Commons

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Assignments:
Work in teams
Multiple outputs:
   Research
   Written paper
   Graphic product
   Oral presentation
Multiple software competencies
shopping mall

everything in one place

consumer chooses contagious energy

serendipity
mall concepts applied to a library:

student in charge of experience
academic and social needs accommodated
one-stop shopping—lots to choose from
allow noise/buzz to generate energy
unexpected experiences/serendipitous learning
different, glamorous, theirs
creature comforts
Building design
Major program elements
Knowledge Market with peer coaches
Speech practice rooms
Group study rooms
media prep rooms

Rendering for GVSU Mary Idema Pew Library by SHW Group
Learning Alcove and digital feedback
Innovation Zone

PATRON SEATING

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Rendering for GVSU Mary Idema Pew Library by SHW Group
Multi-purpose room
High end furniture
Oversized tables and carrels
Window seats
Power within 2.5 feet and on table tops
Wheels on tables and chairs
Portable partitions
Portable white Boards
Online/walk-up reservation systems
What about the books?
Fresh Air
embedded natural air garden

Rendering for GVSU Mary Idema Pew Library by SHW Group
rooftop study deck

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defining idea

Students will manage their own learning in a stimulating environment that fosters collaboration and offers a seamless array of academic services and learning opportunities.
The library will be home to a groundbreaking, cross-university collaboration, providing students with an unprecedented combination of peer coaching services.
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Students will have an academic home outside of their classrooms where learning is a shared and valued undertaking, where deeper engagement with peers invites new ways of learning, and where exposure to the vast and diverse intellectual interests of the university community enriches the academic experience in unanticipated ways.
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The library is a prototype, a first of its kind
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Main Level

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