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The library’s vision is to transform its beautiful 350,000 square foot, six-story building, with its iconic clock tower commemorating slain civil rights activists Schwerner, Goodman, and Chaney, into a learning, innovation, and research commons that will function as a vibrant hub for teaching and learning at the college. As part of the library’s five-year strategic plan, each floor will be reconceived and opened up to support our students and faculty.



### FIRST FLOOR

#### Innovation Commons

- State-of-the-art makerspace—a hands-on learning lab featuring 3D printers, laser cutters, CNC machines, digital sewing machines, internet of things, and a tools library integrated in the QC curriculum
- The Center for Teaching and Learning offices and programming space to support innovative teaching
- Business Innovation Center to include cybersecurity initiatives, Bloomberg terminals, and other real-time business data, as well as pitch rooms and collaborative spaces
- Data and digital scholarship lab to support new ways of engaging with knowledge
- Group study rooms, individual study pods, and a refreshed Twomey Lounge where students can gather and work together

### SECOND FLOOR

#### Learning Commons

- Expanded Writing Center, featuring universally designed furniture and collaborative flex space for students
- Centralized Academic Support Center and Peer Mentoring Center for subject tutoring—a “one-stop” shop for academic support that will also feature roaming research support from our library team
- A full-service IT Help Desk
- Computer commons and open study spaces
- Flexible and active classrooms to support library instruction and academic support



### THIRD FLOOR

#### Research Commons

- Circulation of reserves, books, and laptops and other technologies
- Information and Research Services
- The all-new Tanenbaum Special Collections and Archives Wing, including visible shelving, flexible archives classrooms, memory and processing labs, flexible event space, exhibit spaces, and a public reading room
- Community-curated collections
- Open study areas where students can gather and work together
- Library administration, librarian offices, and flexible work space for faculty



### FOURTH AND FIFTH FLOOR

#### Study Commons

- Quiet study areas
- Group study rooms and individual study pods
- Circulating stacks
- Popular reading and comics lounge
- Education Wing featuring juvenile collection, curricular materials, and support for K–12 educational technology

### SIXTH FLOOR

#### Art Commons

- Art Center, in partnership with Kupferberg Center for the Arts
- Art Collection
- Quiet study areas

