

# STUDENT SURVEY FOR THE NEW LIBRARY

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We would like to know what you think a new library building should be for IWU. Please assist us by filling out this survey. Return it to your RA or Sue Stroyan at Sheean Library by **October 18**.

(In this survey, the term "study" refers to reading, doing research, preparing projects and homework.)

1. My idea or concept of an ideal library is (finish the statement by naming or identifying three things)

**Rank questions 2 - 4 in order of importance (one is the highest - five is lowest)**

2. The new library atmosphere should be:  
 a place for quiet reflection  
 a representation of the intellectual heart of IWU  
 a place for personal interaction  
 a high-tech marketplace for information retrieval  
 a study lounge
3. Besides space for the library collection, my top priorities are:  
 a place for individual study  
 a place for group study  
 a place for new library technologies  
 a meeting rooms  
 a public presentation space  
 a coffee bar
4. I expect to find on the first floor of the library:  
 current periodicals  
 reference resources  
 book collection  
 study space  
 media resources

**Check only your first choice in questions 5 - 6**

5. I do most of my studying in:  
 my room  
 the library  
 a classroom  
 other \_\_\_\_\_
6. My satisfaction with the above response as a study space is:  
 high  
 moderate  
 low
7. I have an adequate place to study after the library closes: yes no
8. If we had a new library, I would spend most of my studying time there: yes no

**Check only your first choice in questions 9 - 14**

9. My ideal studying environment:  
 is completely private  
 has other people visible but not close  
 is public but not noisy

10. My preferred study space is:  
 an enclosed study room  
 a semi-enclosed study carrel  
 a large table  
 a lounge chair
11. I study alone for about the following portion of my study time, on average:  
 much of the time  
 occasionally  
 infrequently  
 never
12. I study with one other person for about the following portion of my study time, on average:  
 much of the time  
 occasionally  
 infrequently  
 never
13. I study with two or three other people for about the following portion of my study time, on average:  
 much of the time  
 occasionally  
 infrequently  
 never
14. I study with four or more other people for about the following portion of my study time, on average:  
 much of the time  
 occasionally  
 infrequently  
 never
15. While I am working with one or more people, a computer is useful:  
 much of the time  
 occasionally  
 infrequently  
 never

**Check the appropriate answer**

16. My favorite campus space to see people is:  
 Memorial Center  
 Shirk Center  
 Library  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_
17. What positive features of the current building would you take to the new building:
18. I would walk across campus to the new library if it had:
19. My advice to the library planners is:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey