

UMASS AMHERST LEARNING COMMONS FACTSHEET

SPACE

- ◆ Over **25,000** square feet
- ◆ **17** group rooms, each of which accommodates 4-10 people
- ◆ Combined total of over **250** seats in a mix of configurations for groups of 1 to 10 (comfortable chairs; email kiosks; individual tables; tables for 1-3; tables for 6 plus much more)
- ◆ Computer classroom for teaching and learning information and technology literacy and other workshops

STAFFED BY

- ◆ Librarians and library staff
- ◆ Office of Information Technologies personnel
- ◆ Student assistants
- ◆ Peer tutors

RESOURCES

- ◆ **200 multipurpose workstations (PCs and Macs); 58 for public use**
- ◆ **400+ ports** for laptop network access to campus network and the Internet
- ◆ **Wireless** access throughout building (coming Fall 2008)
- ◆ **52 laptop PCs** for 4 hour student check-out from Reserve Desk (3rd floor)
- ◆ Headphones, disk drives, graphing calculators available at Learning Commons Desk
- ◆ Copying, printing (B&W and color), faxing, scanning, UCard transfer station
- ◆ Access to online lecture notes, course materials, and online reserve materials
- ◆ Access to technology support and reference and research assistance
- ◆ Access to the Libraries' physical and online collections and services

SERVICES, ACTIVITIES, AND POLICIES

- ◆ 24/5 hours (Sunday 11 a.m. – Friday 9 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.)
- ◆ Encourage collaboration and group work on projects
- ◆ Provide an all-purpose meeting place plus exhibits and events
- ◆ Food and drink welcome; Procrastination Station Café
- ◆ No reservations; cell phone friendly; service rich environment
- ◆ Academic support : information, library, reference, writing, tutoring, academic advising, career services, field internships, and study abroad
- ◆ Research using the library collection—print and electronic—and the Internet
- ◆ Technology resources and support : software, hardware, adaptive technologies
- ◆ Create text documents, spreadsheets, graphic documents, presentations, etc.

SOFTWARE AVAILABLE

- ◆ Public PCs: Web browsers, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Student
- ◆ Authenticated Workstations:: Full suite of software licensed by UMass Amherst
(Complete list of software: <http://www.oit.umass.edu/classrooms/software/>)

LATEST UPDATES AND MORE INFORMATION

- ◆ Learning Commons Website: <http://www.umass.edu/learningcommons>

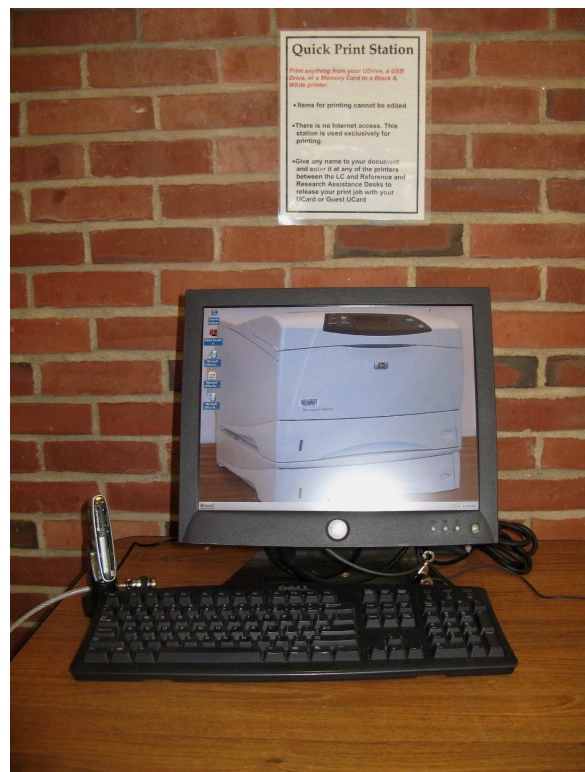
LEARNING COMMONS UPDATES, 2007-2008

- **Addition of 29 laptop PCs, bringing total available for circulation to 52**
- Wireless access available throughout tower as of Fall 2008
- Reserve, Microform & Media Dept. now open 24/5



Laptops being put to good use in a group study room

- **New Quick Print station on lower level: express printing**
- Peer advisors from the Education Abroad Advising Center available evenings at the Academic Advising Link
- Atomic Learning: online software support available anytime, anywhere



Quick Print station – avoid the lines!

- **Borrow headphones, graphing calculators, floppy drives from the LC Desk with your UCard**
- Quick Look-up stations available on entry level and floors 2, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23
- Access to building now requires UCard from midnight – 7 am



Now available for loan from the LC Desk