

Uses of the Lyons New Media Center in Mills Library, McMaster University

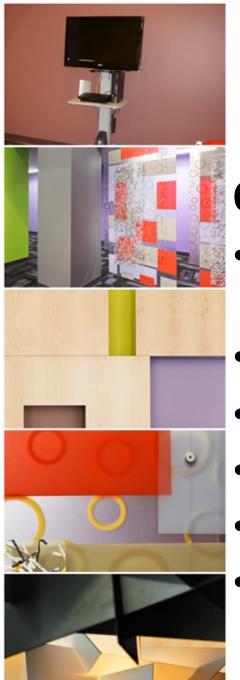
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Outline

- The Lyons New Media Center (LNMC)?
- What services are available?
- Who is using the LNMC?
- How is the LMNC being used?
- Assessment
- Future directions



McMaster University Background

- Located In Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
- 21,173 full-time undergraduate students, 3,025 fulltime graduate students
- 894 fulltime instructional faculty members, 1,434 (including clinical faculty A - Mills Library
 - B Innis Library (Kenneth Taylor Hall - Room 108, closest to the Sterling Street Entrance)
 - C Thode Library
 - D Health Sciences Library (Health Sciences Centre - 2nd Floor, Purple Section, closest to the Main Street West Entrance)



Where is the LNMC?

- The fourth floor of Mills Library
- **Opened September 2010**





What services are available?

- Edit suites
- Help Desk
- Gaming theatre
- Classroom
- Group study areas
- Common computers with multimedia software
- Green screen













Study Space





Who is using the LNMC?

- Numerous classes are using the classroom
- Gaming theater, green screen and editing suites booked for courses
- Students booking the green screen, editing suites and gaming theater
- Student work displayed





Who is using the LNMC?

- Students from first-year to graduate students from all faculties on campus
- Use the video screen for display of student work
- Encourage students to incorporate new media into their work



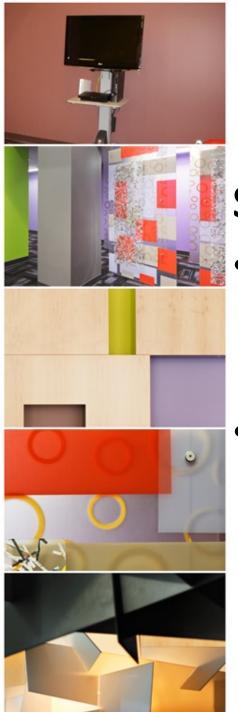
Current Assessment?

- A student survey administered to approximately 300 first year students
- Basic information such as head counts and usage



Student Survey background

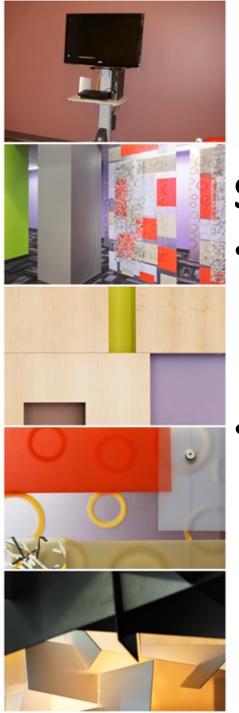
- Surveyed 195 first year students over a two day period on October 27th and 28th, 2010
- Questions based upon new media and the LNMC
- Both closed and open-ended and questions



Some Student Survey results

- I feel that the use of 'new media' in academic studies in beneficial?
 - 87% either 'Agree' or 'Strongly Agree'
- I believe that it is important for universities to promote new media skills, through libraries and classes?

- 95% either 'Agree' or 'Strongly Agree'



Some Student Survey results

- How do you think you will use the Lyons New Media Center
 - 89% felt they would use it for academic purposes
- What services that are, or may be, offered in the Lyons New Media Center would you find useful?

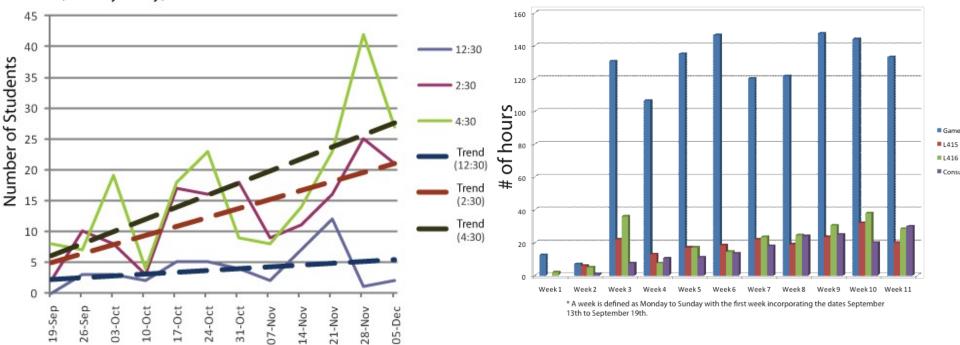
assistance in Web Editing (60%),
assistance in video/audio editing (59%),
assistance in using the green screen (47%)



- Consistent trend of increased usage
- Compiled at the end of semester

Trend in Student Attendance in the LNMC (Sundays only)

Number of hours booked in LNMC on a weekly basis





Future Directions

- Further integration of courses, individual course assignments into the LNMC
- Further integration of research projects (faculty and grad students) into the LNMC
- Further Assessment of space from perspective of students and faculty through survey and focus groups
- On-line software assistance (Lynda.com)
- Television feeds of important events
- Further discussion of direction through the Lyons New Media Centre Strategic Initiative group



The LNMC Web Presence?

http://library.mcmaster.ca/lyons/

http://www.youtube.com/user/lyonsnewmedia

http://www.flickr.com/photos/lyonsnewmedia/

http://twitter.com/#!/lyonsnewmedia

http://lyonsnewmediacenter.blog.lib.mcmaster.ca/