Cabot Science Library Renovation

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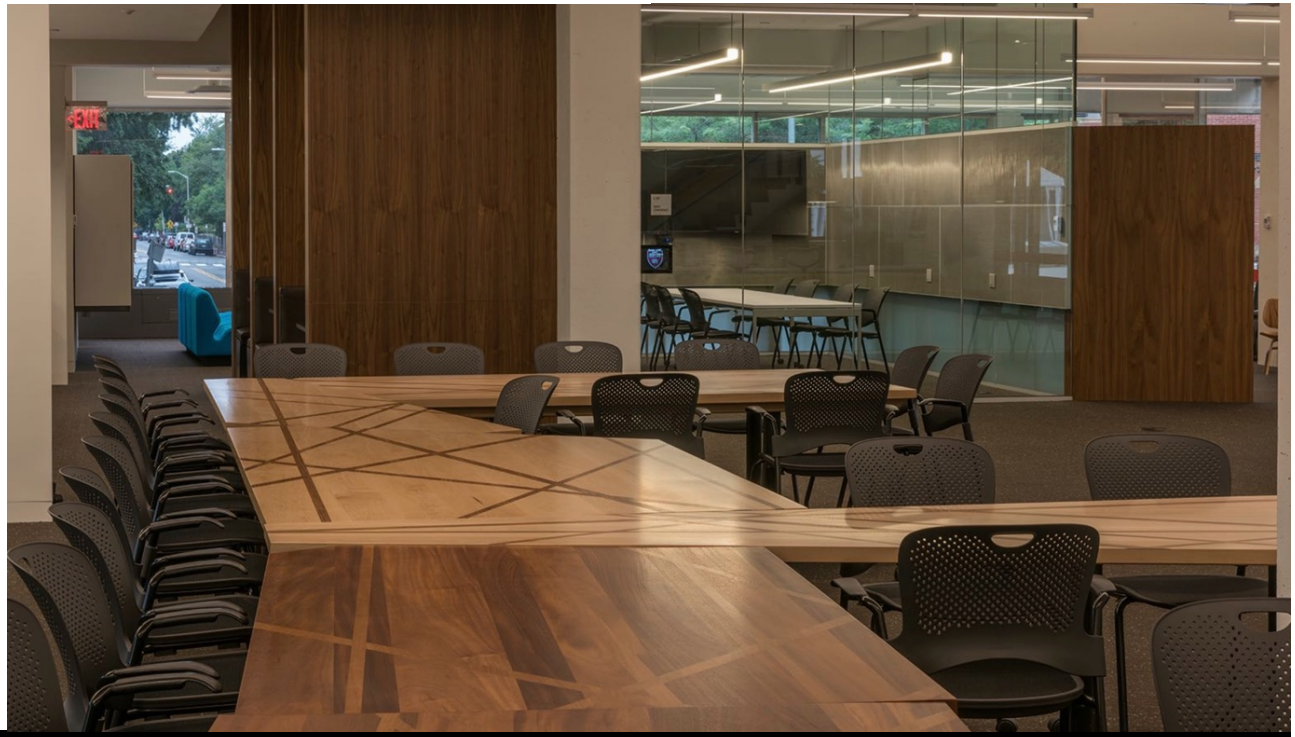

Ramp before renovation

PRITZKER COMMONS

Café in 1973

Café before renovation

Library entrance before renovation

Library interior before renovation

Library interior before renovation

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Library interior before renovation

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EXIT

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CHECK OUT
YOUR BOOKS
US!

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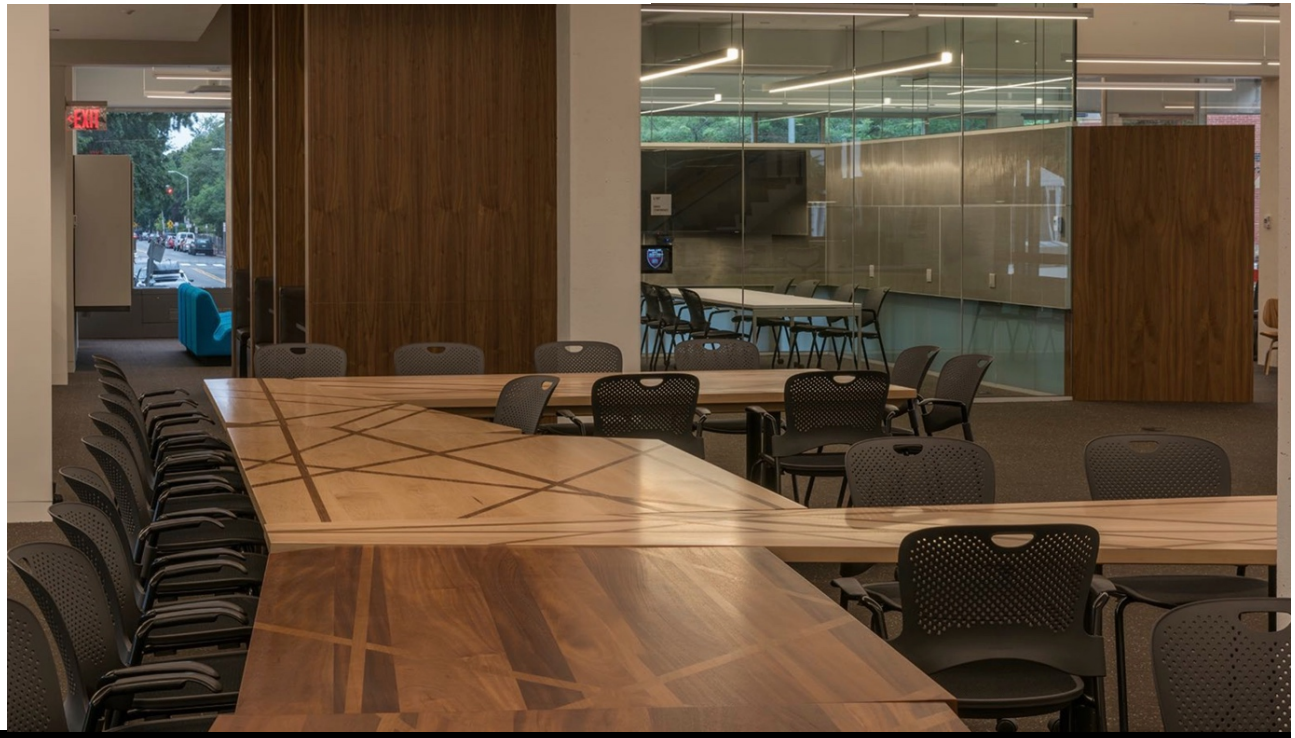

Developing a Program Plan

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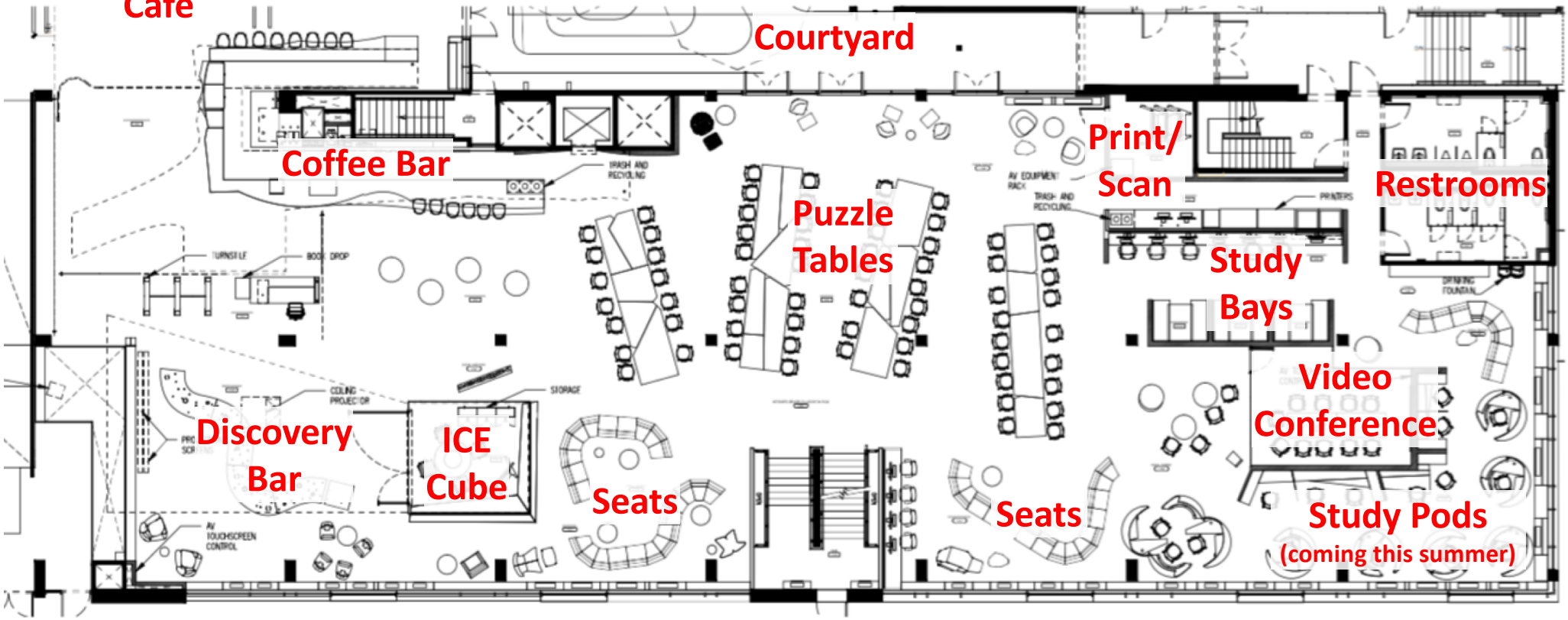
Objectives in Action 2016–2021

Mission: The Harvard Library advances scholarship and teaching by committing itself to the creation, application, preservation, and dissemination of knowledge.

1. Collections & Content	2. Access & Discovery	3. Research, Teaching & Learning	4. Stewardship	5. Professional Development



Cabot's first floor has the Discovery Bar and connects with the café and courtyard

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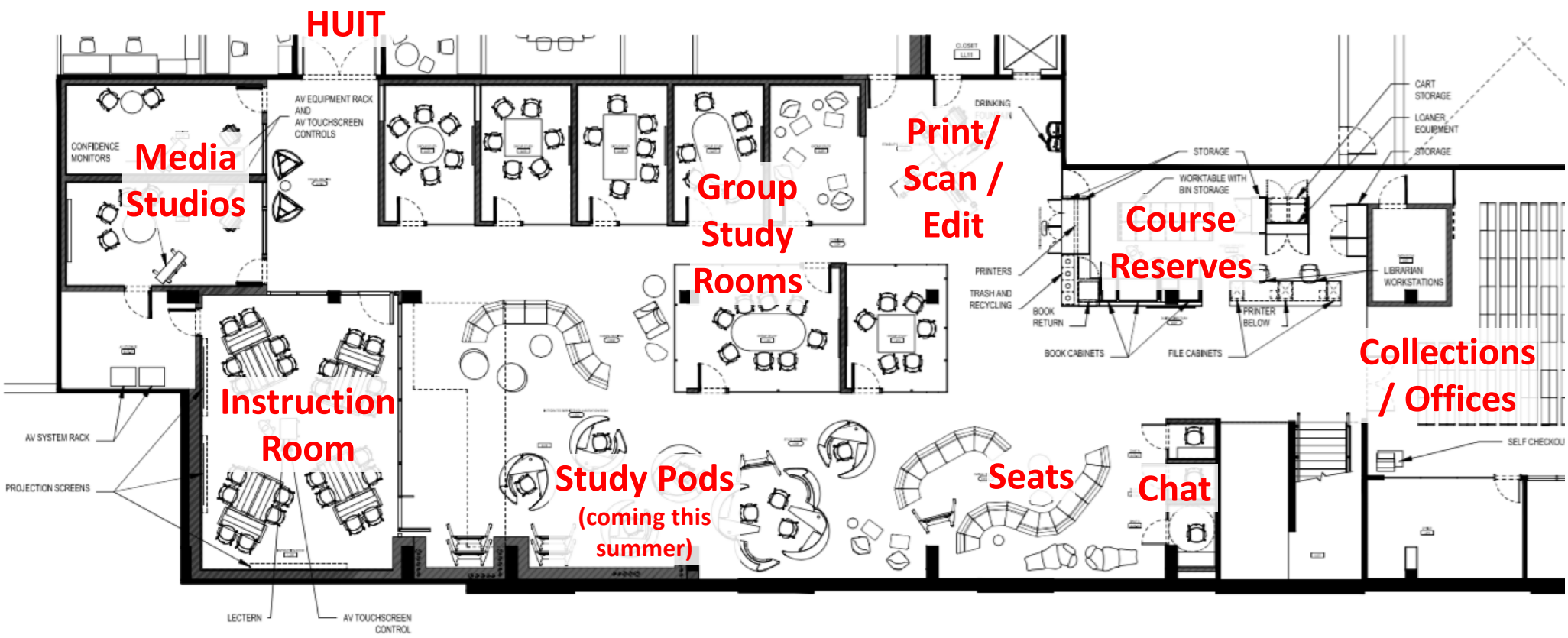

Cabot's lower level supports new media, group study, course reserves and collections.

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Importance of communication during construction

Strategic Hard-hat tours

Swag –
Old and New

Reveal and Entice

Pop-up Makerspaces

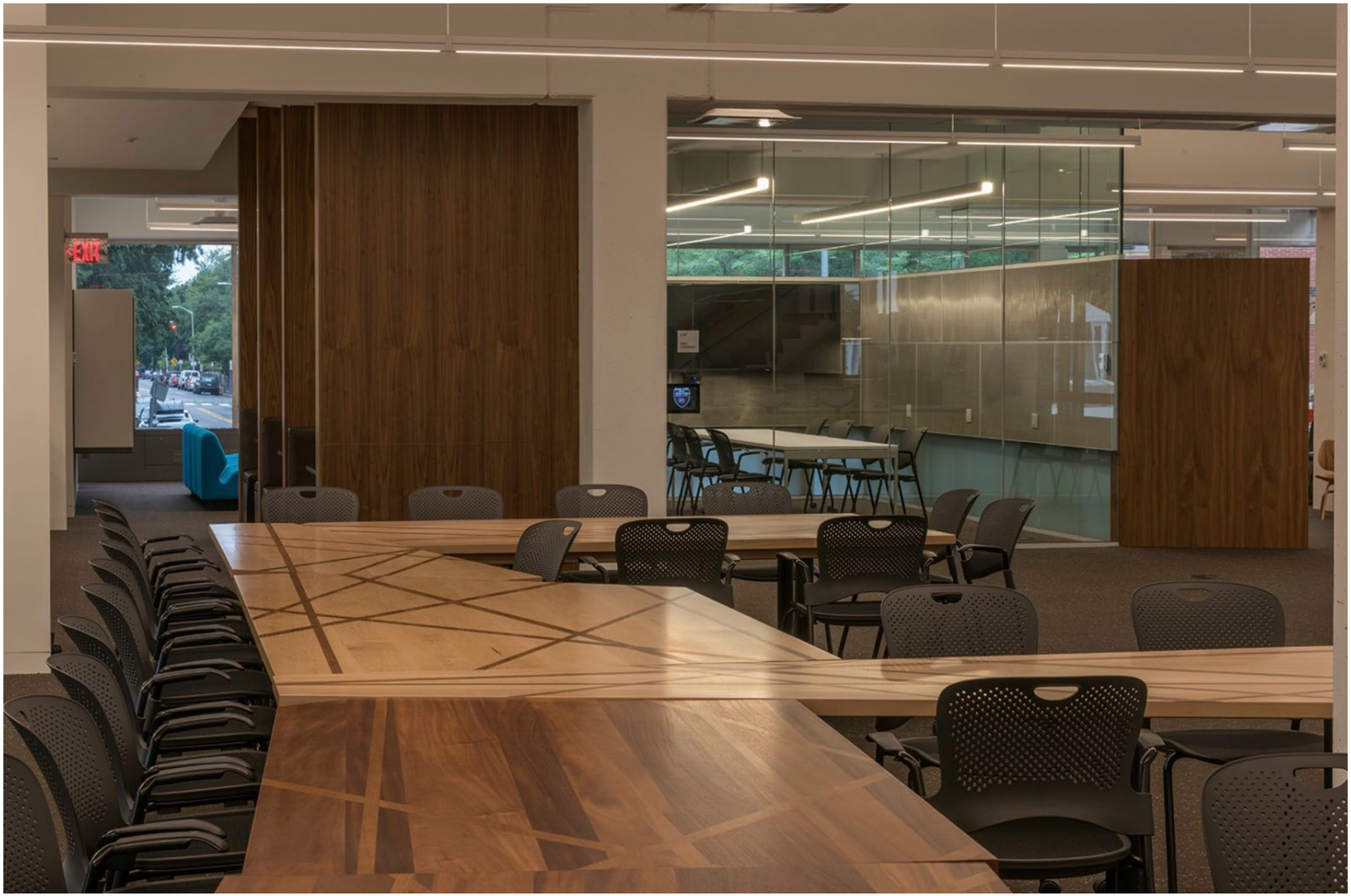
Event Examples

New spaces require new rules

- Enter through café
- Furniture that welcomes naps
- No bag checks – multiple entrances
- No shushing
- Write on the walls
- Music and dancing at Discovery Bar

What makes this a library? We do!

Articulate the Vision!



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