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Pratt Institute School of Information

Space+Technology Committee: Plan AY 22/23

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Recommended by the Space+Technology committee and approved by the SI Dean on October 20, 2022.

Key: Items highlighted in light yellow are expected to be completed fiscal year 22/23 (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023). Items in green have been completed. Items in red are postponed. Items in grey are canceled. Note that **software** required on computers is maintained through the [SI Technology in the Classroom](#) doc.

Appendix: [PMC Floorplan](#)

Space	Need	Plan to address	Cost	Priority	Due Date	Actual
PMC 606	Office chairs that go with computers are in poor condition and mismatched.	Replace with 24x KI Strive Task Chairs	\$5,866	High	Oct. '22	Completed Oct. 28, 2022.
	Matte whiteboard is still too bright with projected image	Replace with whiteboard on wheels	\$386	Medium	Dec. '22	Complete Nov. 4, 2022
	Room blinds are in poor condition and are failing to operate as designed.	Add to facilities conditions report as high priority so can be replaced over the summer	TBD	High	Summer '23	Added to facilities conditions report requesting replacement. Not replaced by start of the semester.
	Top ~30 pixels of projected image is cut-off	Fix projected image, move projector, or remove light fixture	TBD	Low	Summer '23	Completed in July '23 by moving projector.

PMC 609	Office chairs that go with computers are in poor condition and mismatched.	Replace with 7x KI Strive Task Chairs removed from PMC 602	0	Medium	Summer '23	Complete Dec. 2022
	iMacs range in age from 2017 to 2019	Replace with 8x new 27" iMac... if Apple ever releases them!	TBD	Medium	TBD	
	Room blinds are in poor condition and are failing to operate as designed.	Add to facilities conditions report as high priority so can be replaced over the summer	TBD	High	Summer '23	Added to facilities conditions report requesting replacement. Not replaced by start of the semester
PMC InfoLounge	iMac computers range in age from late 2013 to 2019.	Replace with 7 new pink 24" iMacs. Move 3x 2019 iMacs into room 609 to replace 2017 models.	\$14,896 + \$349.93 for USB-C keyboards + \$39.96 for USB-C adapters for mice	High	Jan, '23	Completed by Jan 17, '23.
	Printer in InfoLounge is slow to process images.	Replace with newer color laser model.	\$550	High	Dec. '22	Complete - replaced with Xerox C310/DNI Color Laser Printer on Nov. 4.
PMC 611	6 iMacs are from late 2015	Replace with 6x new 24" iMacs in purple	\$12,768 + \$299.94 for USB-C keyboards + \$29.97 for USB-C adapters for mice	Medium	Jan '23	Completed by Jan 17, '23.
PMC 602	As room is being regularly used as a Conservation Lab, would be beneficial to have work benches rather	Replace with 5X workbenches and 10X bar stools	\$4406	Medium	Jan '23	Complete Jan. 10 2023.

	than standard tables so that people can stand while working. It is uncomfortable for students' backs to need to sit down to do this kind of work (per instructor).					
PMC 608a/608b	Using Skedda to book the User Experience Lab requires users supply their phone and email address, which is awkward.	Integrate booking with OneKey and OnePratt through working with Pratt IT.	0	Low	May '23	Complete Feb. 3, 2023 at https://one.pratt.edu/s/si-ux using QReserve.
TBD	School of Information is expected to bring in 2-3 new FT faculty for fall '23. While there may be some FT faculty departures, there is at least 1 new FT faculty space (if not more) that is needed.	Find at least 1 space for a new FT faculty. Room 506 (office near freight elevator) has never been reoccupied... maybe IT would be willing to let it go?	TBD	High		Room 506 is not an option. Need to transform room 604c into 4-person office. 604 committee formed and reviewing options. Phone, network and computer installed. Temporary table installed, but new desk is needed.
PMC 613	Courses like Speculative Design & Visual Communication are being offered in room 613, but they don't have a supply bin/shelves similar to 609.	Replicate the supply bins/shelves available in 609 in room 613.	\$186 for bins/shelves and \$239 for supplies	High		Complete - Supply bins/shelves and supplies installed on Nov. 1.
PMC 214	Need to have a place for INFO 601	Redesign room 214 to be a flexible	~\$20,000 for 9 tables (60"x24"), 1	High	Summer '23	Complete. Explored using

	to meet - flexible boardroom-style with tables & chairs on wheels to keep noise down - be able to seat 18 students + instructor or more.	meeting room	72"x24 table, and 31 chairs from KI with wheels			712, but will not work for Design Management per dept chair. PMC departments are good with this plan for 214 , so will move it forward. Made furniture request on Nov. 22. Bought a larger projector screen to work with large room and was installed/configured . Furniture installed on June 28.
PMC 7th Floor Student Union	This space is used for events & parties, however, there is not a way to dim the lights for such events.	SI will pay for an electrician to put the lights on a dimmer that can be controlled.	TBD	Medium	Dec. 9, '22	Aborted. Per Cedric, cannot put on a dimmer but would need to bring in an electrician to dim and restore to normal. Not viable for a party, so next party scheduled will be in room 201, where lighting can be controlled.
PMC 201	Sound system in PMC 201 is not sufficient for parties and karaoke (not loud enough or enough bass)	Replace with party speakers	\$1099	Medium	January '23	Bought 2x JBL Party Box 310s.
PMC 607	The HVAC duct rattles	Fix the rattling of the HVAC duct. Add to facilities condition report.	TBD	High		Added to facilities condition report. Was not fixed by start of semester.

General	It would be good to have iPads available for checkout so to experience using tools available on that OS (e.g., children's apps)	See if 4th Floor library would be able to do that kind of equipment loaning, and if not how it could be done from the SI Office	TBD	Medium		Completed March 21, 2023.
PMC 604	In general, space poorly supports faculty meeting with advisees or others because of shared office spaces.	Investigate options for supporting faculty advisement of students.	Unknown	Medium	--	Many advisement sessions are happening on Zoom, so may be less of an issue currently.
General	Little rooms on 7th floor (707a and 707b) are very popular - they are always booked. Very useful for remote classes.	Explore option for creating more rooms like 707a and 707b.	Unknown	Medium	-	
General	While light switches allow you to control fluorescent lamps pointed up and down, faculty want to be able to turn off lights near the projected image while maintaining some lighting away from the projected image.	Add additional light switches to allow more control of lighting. Fluorescent lights are inefficient and obsolete, and brightness cannot be controlled, and should be replaced with LED lights.	TBD	Low	--	Jan '18: Described need to architects (Kliment Halsband Architects) and Pratt facilities dept.
General	Noise from the 7th floor because lack of insulation is distracting during classes.	Cocciolo will describe this issue to the architect.	TBD	Low	--	Jan '18: Described need to architects (Kliment Halsband Architects) and Pratt facilities dept,

	Sometimes, debris falls from the ceiling.					and again in Dec. 2018. Suggested that furniture on wheels could help address the problem.
General	Building can be overheated in the winter and under-cooled in the summer, resulting in frequent complaints from students, faculty and staff.	Study and address heating and cooling issues on the floor.	Unknown	High	TBD	Issue brought to Chief Facilities Officer, March 2018
PMC Basement	~180 count record boxes are difficult to access	Devise a permanent solution at PMC or send to off-site storage	TBD	Medium	TBD	