

Pratt School of Information

Space+Technology Plan AY 25/26

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Recommended by the SI Space and Technology Committee and approved by the SI Dean on Sept. 30, 2025.

Key: Items highlighted in **light yellow** are expected to be completed fiscal year 25/26 (July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026). 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 608a	Sound proofing between 608a and 608b is needed	Fill gap in wall above air handler		High	May '26	Added to Facilities Conditions report - facilities did not plan to fix it in Summer '25. Planned to be fixed in Summer '26. Delayed.
PMC 604	Couches are uncomfortable	Replace with more comfortable couches that will not exceed 28.5" depth (to not block door of 604a)	\$7,846.76	Medium	Feb. '26	Complete Jan. '26
PMC 610	Atiz Book Drive Pro plexiglass has a scratch on it that appears in scans.	Unable to remove using conventional means. Replace plexiglass	\$3,250	Medium	Jan. '26	Complete.

PMC 612	Creative cart needed.	Installed Seville Classics cart. To accommodate cart, remove one small table from computer bank that is not really needed.	\$300	High	Sept. '25	Complete.
PMC 704	It would be good to have an additional classroom with flexible tables and chairs, rather than the chairs with the built-in desks.	Explore possibility of having room 704 change in seating configuration to flexible tables with chairs.	~\$30K			Check if this might not be a possibility with 712 instead of 704. 712 is not possible because people at PMC want to seat 30, and that number will not fit in 712 with pirouette tables.
PMC 602	Faculty office is unattractive and is using repurposed classroom furniture.	Replace furniture.	Paid by Facilities department using existing furniture from 2nd floor and new furniture (soft seating + coffee table).	High	Dec. '25	Complete December '25.
	Faculty office is cold in the summer, and the humidity is damaging the paper used by INFO 634 Conservation Lab stored in there.	Address HVAC issue	TBD	High	Unknown	HVAC issue has been brought forward to Facilities. Humidity & temperature logger added to room. Added issue to Facilities Conditions report in Dec. '25. Blocks to air vents added to room.

PMC 603	Expected to be vacated this summer due to retirement.	Identify next use.		High	July '26	Prof. Nancy Smith expected to move in July 2026 following a seniority system.
PMC 714	Room has blackout shades, which is problematic because there is a need to reduce light but not completely keep it out. Room has a nice view that should be seen.	Replace with translucent shades.	TBD	Medium	May '26	Added to Facilities Conditions report. Not fixed over summer '25. Not fixed in Summer '26.
214	Classes like INFO 601 could use a space for some basic supplies (post-its, Sharpies, etc.)	Install a small storage unit in the window ledge with supplies.		High	Oct. '26	Complete
	214 computer screen is small & hard to see; HDMI input needed; switch sound output to classroom speaker	Replace computer with iMac. Install HDMI laptop input. Change default sound output.	\$5,000	Medium	Dec. '25	New instructor screen installed because Mac mini is still under warranty. New AV switching system installed which allows laptop HDMI (2 switches in use), but may be less than ideal. IT requested replacement of mobile instructor desk with Klasstech desk (stationary); purchased by SI and installed in

						Summer '26.
PMC - Classrooms used by SI	Instructors need to have option to connect via HDMI, especially with PCs that don't have the Apple TV option	Work with IT to identify and fix rooms without this capability. Priority rooms are 214 and 608b		Medium	May '26	No headway made in this area over summer '25 or summer '26.
	There are so many Apple TV devices available to mirror to, and often users can't find the room they are actually in when they need to cast to that room. Many devices have the name "Apple TV" or "LG TV" without any indication of where the screen is located. See screenshot of mirror options available from Dean's Office (on wired network and Pratt Secure)	Cleanup network of devices that can be cast to at PMC to better enable mirroring ability by community.		Medium	May '26	Issue brought to Matt Martin in IT. Issue seems to be resolved (ticket was closed).
PMC - General	Fluorescent lights are inefficient and obsolete, and brightness cannot be controlled, and should be replaced with LED lights.	Replace all fluorescent lights in PMC		High	TBD	Replacement begun as required by NYC law. Work in progress.

InfoLounge and 608a	Maceli is interested in using sensors to improve facilities and promote sensor class. Intend to use in 608a (room use detector) and InfoLounge (temperature & humidity) as test bed.	Implement project with communication & safeguards (see email for details).		Low	Dec. '25	Complete.
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	–	
604 and 601	In 604 and 601, lights go off making it look like it is not occupied, but it is occupied in the suites.	Go back to traditional switches or switch timeout to longer duration like 12 hours	Negligible	High	Dec. '25	In progress- email sent to Facilities Tony Gelber & Cedric Jackson on Oct. 17 requesting change. Need to check if still an issue.
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.	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. Sometimes, debris falls from the ceiling.	Cocciolo will describe this issue to the architect.	TBD	Low	--	Jan '18: Described need to architects (Kliment Halsband Architects) and Pratt facilities dept, and again in Dec. 2018. Suggested that furniture on wheels could help address the problem.
PMC 6 General	PMC 6 can be overheated or overcooled in the "swing season," resulting in 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. Because the system is old and runs on either hot or cold water, it is going to be a problem in the "swing season."
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	
PMC 607	The HVAC duct rattles and get complaints from faculty using the room.	Fix the rattling of the HVAC duct. [Rolled-over from last year's plan; added to Facilities conditions report.]	TBD	High	May 2025	Added to facilities condition report last AY. Was not fixed last AY. Installed napkins in duct which seems to have helped.
Makerspace	A Makerspace is needed for courses like Physical computing. Can be a classroom with flexible tables but with a wall of tools	Identify space.	None	Medium	TBD	

	& supplies.					
Archives & Cultural Heritage Lab + Conservation Lab /	It would be good to merge the Archives + Cultural Heritage Lab and bring in the Conservation Lab equipment into a much larger space (1000 sqft plus), so that a separate closet space for Conservation Lab is no longer required.	Identify space. Keep a large table for processing physical materials plus benches for Conservation Lab projects. Consider possibility that single space may be problematic because of too many bookings?	None	Medium	TBD	