



**MONTGOMERY COLLEGE**

**Library**

**Library Master Plan  
FY20 - FY21**

## Overview of the Montgomery College Library Master Plan

The Montgomery College Library Master Plan defines our key priorities for FY 2020-2021. It is a continuation of the One College, One Library principle, focusing on centralized functions and operations, engaging students with technologies, approaches that further teaching, learning, and research, and utilizing the talents and skills of our restructured MC Library team.

In planning for the next five years, The MC Library will use this academic year to reimagine our role and how we can further engage in the many facets of student-centered learning, new technologies, and community partnerships. Our goal is to augment the boundless connections internally and with community partners to develop a long-term plan befitting of the strategic direction set forth by Montgomery College.

The Library Master Plan is intended to be a living document subject to change based on internal capacity, external opportunities, and alterations to the College's MC2025 plan and initiatives. Priorities will be established with a focus on initiatives that have high impact and clear alignment with strategic College initiatives, particularly those that emphasize student success. Priorities will necessarily adjust to align with College's priorities. Assessment will be integrated into activities to continually improve resources, collections, services, and facilities and inform priority setting. As such, the plan and related activities will be refined during the life of the plan through periodic revisions including changes based on patron and employees' feedback, ideas, and recommendations. The Library Director, Associate Directors, Managers and Supervisors will ensure implementation of the plan.

### Montgomery College Library Mission

The library facilitates student success by collaborating with the College community in the creation and delivery of innovative services in a culture of excellence and accountability.

### Goal 1. Articulate and promote the library's role as a contemporary and innovative academic library system

*MC 2025 Goal 2. Enhance Transformational Teaching Practices and Learning Environments*

*MC 2025 Goal 4. Build, Engage, and Strengthen Community Partnerships*

*MC 2025 Goal 5. Invest in our Employees*

#### Objective 1.1

Develop a 4-year Library Master Plan in spring 2021, for implementation in fall 2021. This includes the creation of a Library Master Plan Task Force to identify and outline goals, objectives and processes that align with the College's MC2025 Strategic Plan.

**Objective 1.2**

Establish a library vision and values in accordance with the MC Library's FY 2025 Library Master Plan, as well as complement the library's mission.

**Objective 1.3**

Create an end of year annual report to highlight the library's accomplishments, contributions, and collaborative partnerships.

**Objective 1.4**

Prioritize a review of vacant positions and advocate for filling all vacancies internally and externally.

**Goal 2. Provide services and resources in response to MC's Continuity of Remote Instruction**

*MC 2025 Goal 1. Empower Students to Start Smart and Succeed*

*MC 2025 Goal 2. Enhance Transformational Teaching Practices and Learning Environments*

*MC 2025 Goal 6. Protect Affordability*

**Objective 2.1**

- (1) Expand the integration of licensed electronic content in syllabi to support faculty creation of Z courses, online learning, and College affordability for students.
- (2) Create best practices for working with faculty to identify appropriate licensed e-content for use in courses. This work will be led by The Collection Development Committee.

**Objective 2.2**

- (1) Enhance our research appointments service with teleconferencing integration through a partnership with the Office of Information Technology to enable student-centered appointment access.
- (2) Analyze the delivery of the service, assess performance, and future resource needs.

**Goal 3. Expand the MC Library's reach through updated technology and student-centered user experience initiatives**

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*MC 2025 Goal 4. Build, Engage, and Strengthen Community Partnerships*

**Objective 3.1**

Work with the Office of Information Technology and Office of Procurement to transition from a legacy integrated library system (ILS) infrastructure to next generation, cloud-based library

services platform. This includes complying with the RFP and procurement procedures, creating functional requirements, and ensuring transparency with employees.

### **Objective 3.2**

Create a responsive UX (user experience) framework as part of ongoing operations to improve services and to ensure intuitive student access to library resources and services.

## **Goal 4. Develop a culture of ongoing purposeful library assessment and data-driven decision making.**

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### **Objective 4.1**

Develop and establish goals for the MC Library's College Area Review. The overarching goals of the review will inform the library's effectiveness in supporting the College's strategic planning. This work will include a SWOT analysis and establishing benchmarking of services.

### **Objective 4.2**

- (1) Foster critical thinking, information literacy, and active engagement with information within the Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL) Framework.
- (2) Assess and report findings of integrated library services and information literacy tools in Blackboard, the College's course management system.