# Reserves
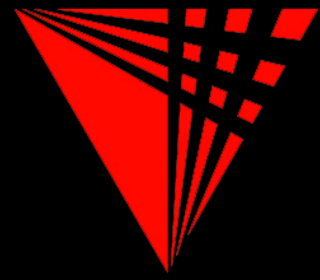# Group Study Suite
# Exploration Space

# @ Illinois Tech

# Reserves@Galvin

- Increasing demand led to the creation of Reserves as an independent department in August 2008.

- In 2009, an external department funded textbook initiative.

- Since then, we are evolving and refining to better serve IIT community.

# Reserves@Galvin

- Serves approx. 8000 students: (2500 UG & 5500 GR).

- We buy a copy of every UG textbook not owned by library for reserves each semester.

- GR texts provided by department or instructor.

- Also have collection of Anime DVDs, graphic novels and role playing games.

# Reserves@Galvin

- We started with 500 textbooks.

- Currently hold 3000 textbooks.

- Circulate approx. 900 reserves textbooks per semester.

- Average annual circulation count for textbooks is around 14000.

# Reserves@Galvin

- **For reserve item management, we use Voyager and PHP-mySQL database.**

- **A reserves item takes approx. 5 - 7 mins. to process.**

- **Weekly shelf reading prevents misplacement.**

- **Inventory done twice every semester.**

# Reserves @ Galvin

**Financial Sustainability**

- **Initial seed money**
- **Orders placed through partnership with campus book store**
- **Processed by Technical Services (high-priority)**
- **Process managed by Collections Assessment and Resource Sharing committee (CARS)**

# Reserves@Galvin

- **We discovered the acquisition process is maintainable:**

  - **Number of Books acquired 2009 – 2015**

    - **FY09 – 10  --  417 Textbooks**
    - **FY10 – 11  --  312 Textbooks**
    - **FY11 – 12  --  312 Textbooks**
    - **FY12 – 13  --  230 Textbooks**
    - **FY13 – 14  --  170 Textbooks**
    - **FY14 – 15  --  101 Textbooks**

# Reserves@Galvin

- **Number of books placed on reserves 2008 – 2015**

    - FY08 – 09  --  596 Textbooks
    - FY09 – 10  --  741 Textbooks
    - FY10 – 11  --  837 Textbooks
    - FY11 – 12  --  941 Textbooks
    - FY12 – 13  --  952 Textbooks
    - FY13 – 14  --  967 Textbooks
    - FY14 – 15  --   981 Textbooks

# Reserves@Galvin

- **Number of reserves transactions 2008 – 2015**

  - **FY08 – 09  --   6936 Textbooks**
  - **FY09 – 10  --  11157 Textbooks**
  - **FY10 – 11  --  14744 Textbooks**
  - **FY11 – 12  --  17997 Textbooks**
  - **FY12 – 13  --  17925 Textbooks**
  - **FY13 – 14  --  11689 Textbooks**
  - **FY14 – 15  --  16219 Textbooks**

# GroupStudy@Galvin

- Group Study Suite (GSS) was created to support collaborative study at Illinois Tech's Galvin Library.

- It has evolved into functions not considered at its inception.

- GSS in its current form is a good example of how a space conceived as a single use area, could evolve into a multifunctional space based on needs of the customer.

# GroupStudy@Galvin

- **Numerous studies on collaborative study space in academic libraries have led to the following conclusions:**

    - Groups meet in a campus library because the space is available longer hours.

    - Library study allows them extended work sessions in comfortable surroundings conveniently placed to other academic buildings.

    - Such spaces offer electrical power, Wi-Fi, reserve materials (especially textbooks), and other desirable resources.

# GroupStudy@Galvin

- Reception area in GSS has  also evolved into a space for hanging out, impromptu meetings, a lunch area and desks for individual study.

- GSS became a convenient and functional place for holding IIT based events organized by faculty, students and staff.

# GroupStudy@Galvin

- **Over the years, group study area at Galvin Library has hosted numerous events:**

  - IIT                                       91
  - Faculty                          61
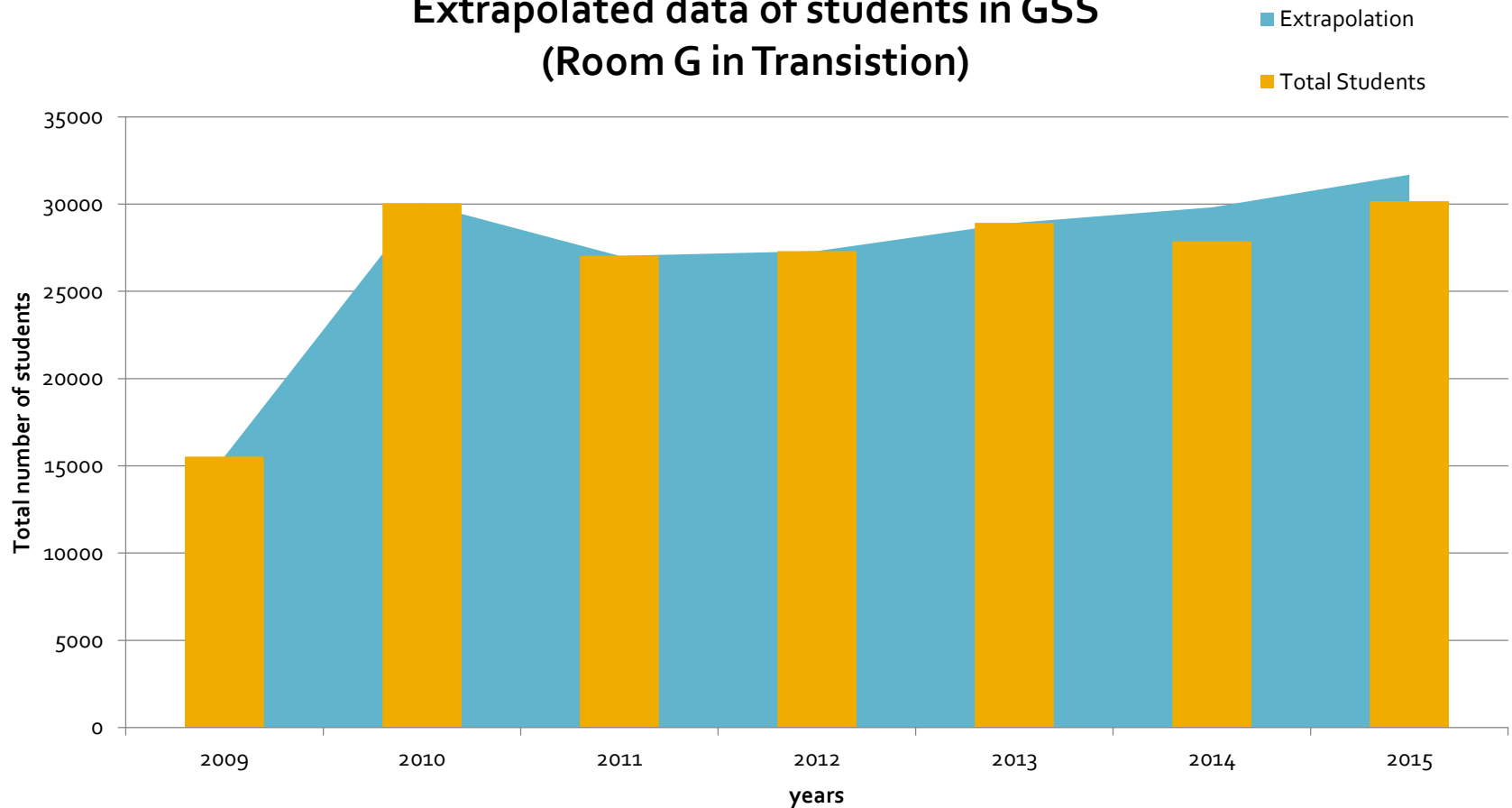  - Student Org.             326
  - Library                          241
  - External Events       47

# ExplorationSpace@Galvin

- **The availability and flexibility of group study space at Galvin Library led to the addition of the Exploration Space, which consists of:**

  - Two 3D printers
  - Two 3D pens
  - Button maker
  - Label maker
  - Low-tech fun: coloring, origami, kinetic sand

# ExplorationSpace@Galvin

- Illinois Tech patrons can file 3D print request online.
- The Galvin Exploration Space staff assists students, staff and faculty with their 3D design.
- This service has quickly become popular among Illinois Tech patrons, both for academic and leisure 3D printing.
- Summer programs and high-school interns also have used our Exploration Space.
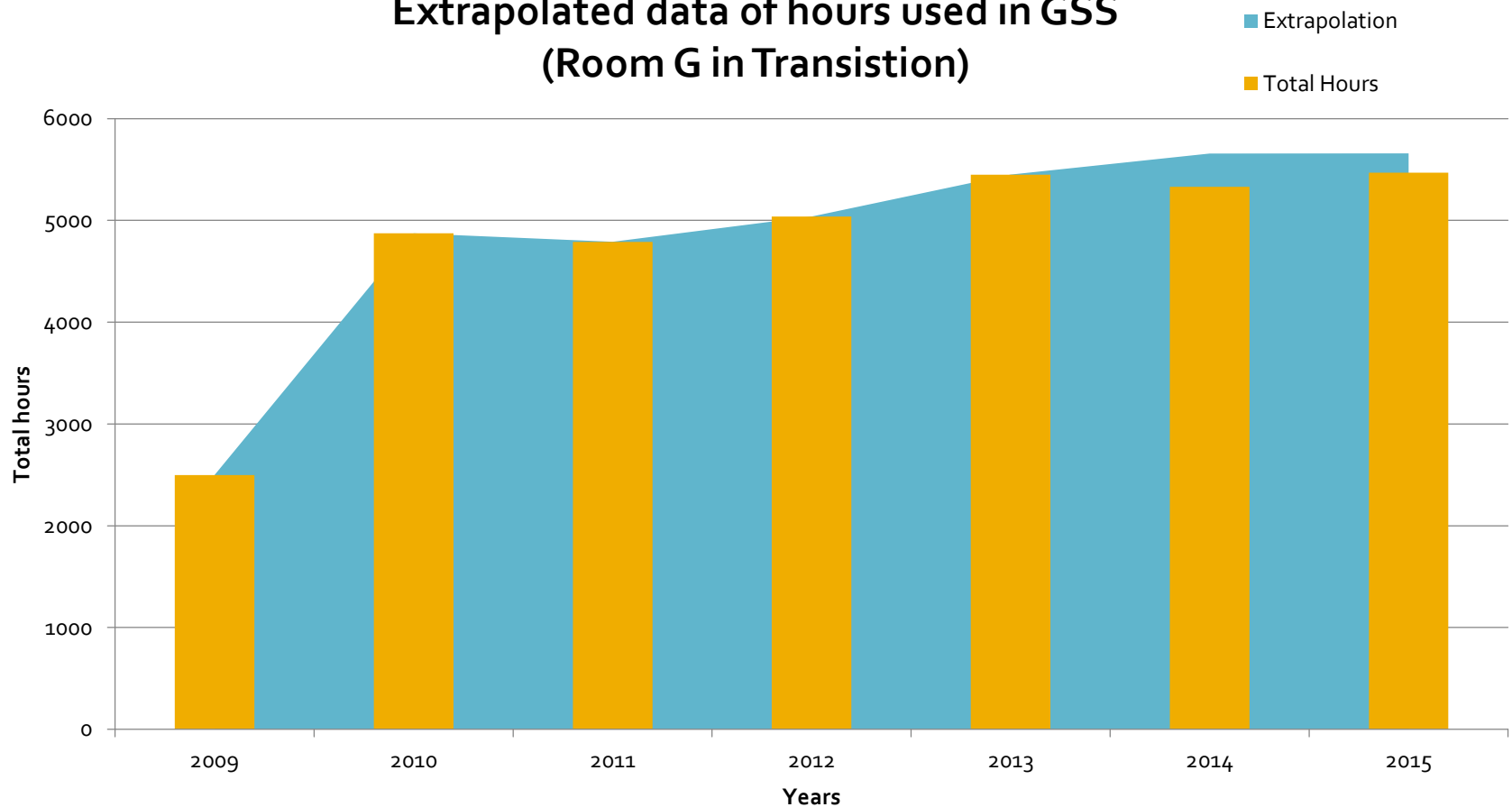
# ExplorationSpace@Galvin



Extrapolated data of students in GSS
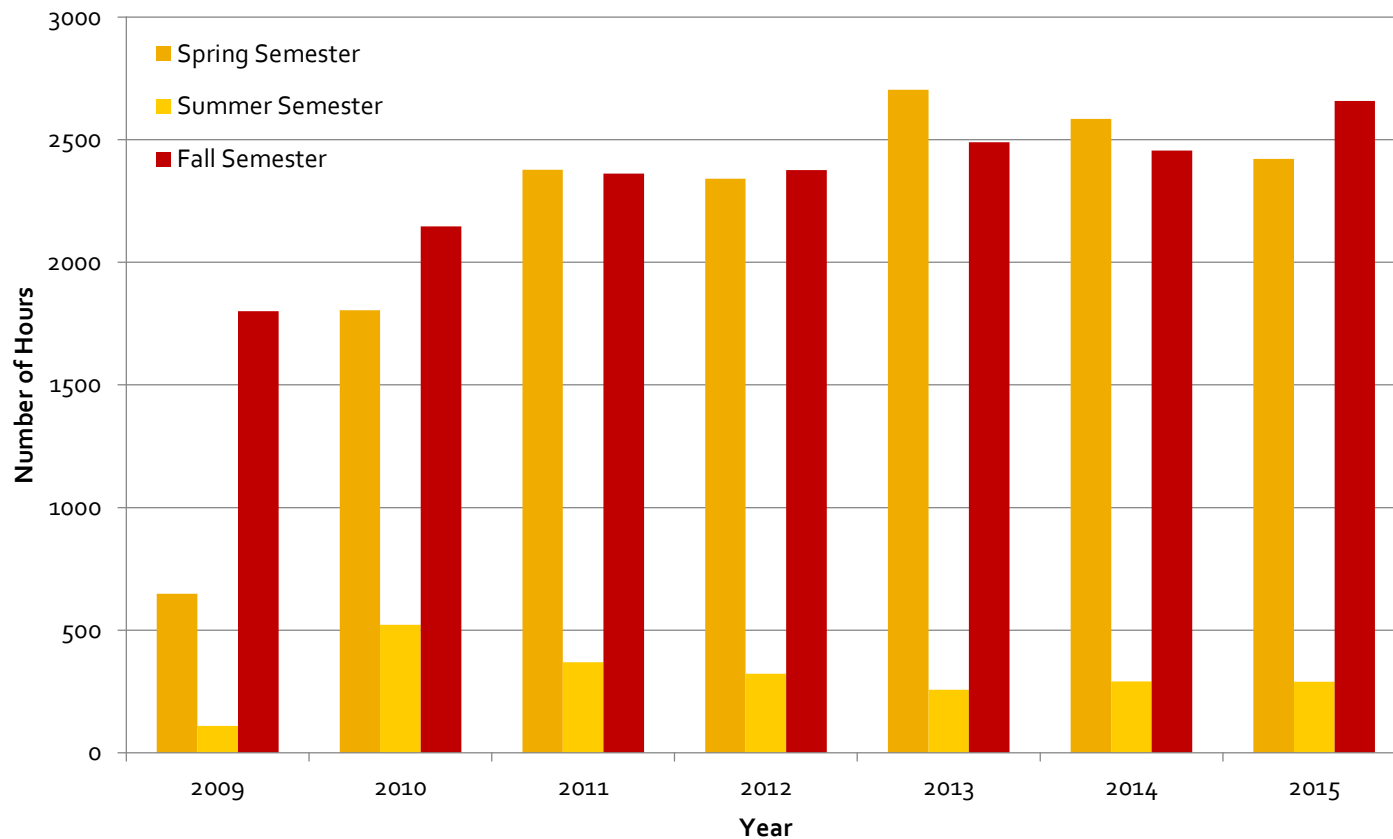(Room G in Transistion)

# ExplorationSpace@Galvin



Extrapolated data of hours used in GSS (Room G in Transistion)

# ExplorationSpace@Galvin



Hours used by semster

# Conclusion

## Reserves

- Steady and increasing demand for textbooks justified the creation of the Reserves department.
- Data shows that the library reserves is a useful service, and a maintainable system.

## Group Study Suite

- Flexible available space affords the opportunity to provide a multitude of services needed by library patrons.

# Conclusion (cont.)

## Exploration Space

- Experience from Group Study Suite reveals a definite need for collaborative space.
- The successful implementation of 3D printer and button maker supports the flexibility of the available space.
- The group study at Galvin Library is an on-going evolving, and flexible space that meets the needs of its patrons.