BACKGROUND

Created by the General Library at the University of Puerto Rico - Mayagüez (UPRM), the Graduate Research and Innovation Center (GRIC) was inaugurated in September 2016 and is changing the institutional research ecosystem through library engagement with the research scholars. One of the most distinctive aspects of the GRIC since its conception, is that it was designed around its users’ needs.

Results from the 2010 faculty survey and 2014 in-depth interviews to key researchers and administrators revealed:

- Technical writing
- Communication skills
- Search strategies
- Ethical use of information

Also noted was the lack of services in areas such as:

- Research methodology
- Data management
- Digital scholarship
- Scholarly communication

METHODOLOGY

Using graduate students and faculty members input, the designed space encompasses state-of-the-art furniture, adaptable to different learning environments, and powerful cutting-edge technologies to support research and innovation.

Since the GRIC opened, it has received 803 unique users: 689 graduate students, 104 faculty/researchers, and 10 guest. This users have visited the space 22,877 times and reserved the rooms or the technologies 4980 times.

Others needs have been addressed with new workshops, specialized consultations and providing an ideal environment for theses defenses.

MORE INFORMATION

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