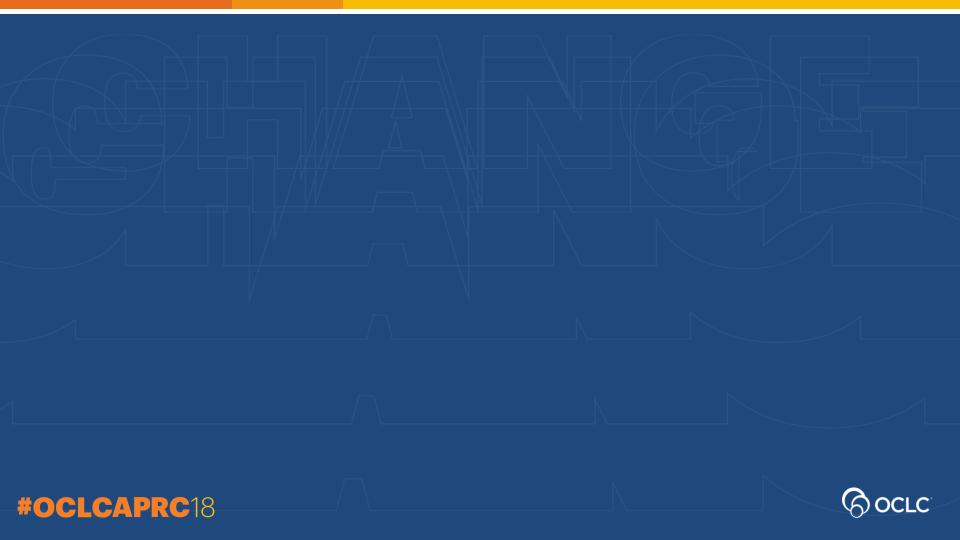


# Space Design at SUSTech Libraries

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#### Library of Southern University of Science and Technology





#### Among Chinese cities (inc. HK/MC/TW):

- No. 1 Comprehensive Economic Competitiveness Index
- No. 4 Sustainable Competitiveness Index
- No. 7 Livability Competitiveness Index















#### Southern University of Science and Technology



#### Funded by:

Shenzhen Municipal Government

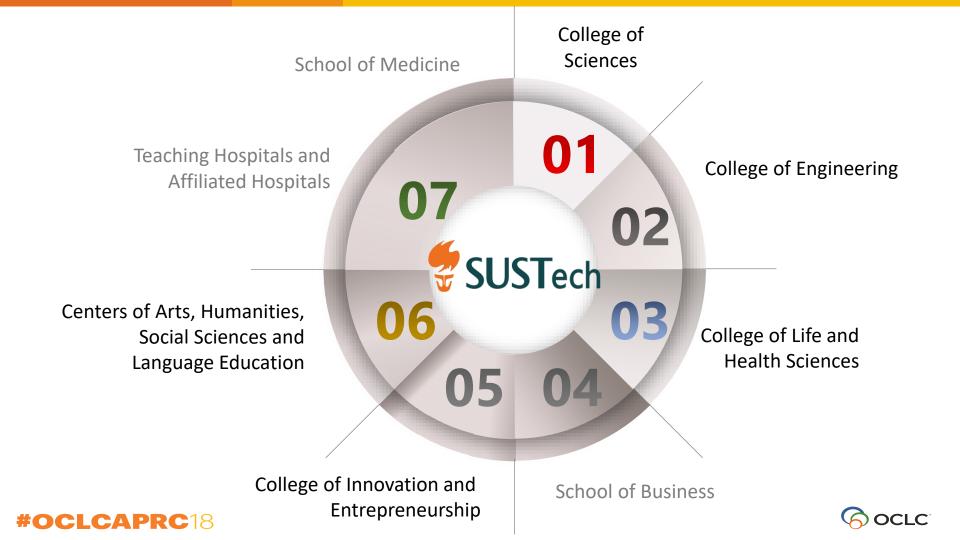
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April 16, 2012 with the approval of Ministry of Education

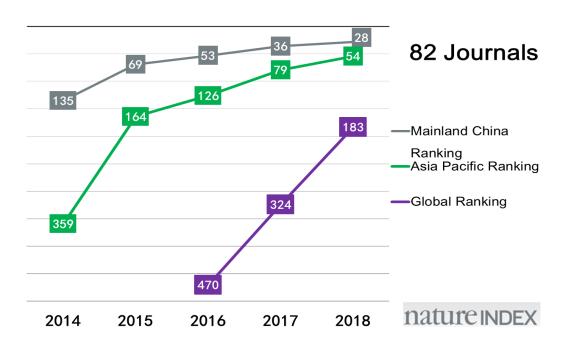
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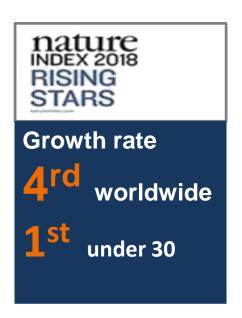
Building a new research university measured by standards of world class universities





#### **SUSTech in Nature Index**







#### **UNIVERSITY RANKING PERFORMANCE**







**38th** 



**43rd** 

SUSTech has entered the Times Higher Education World University Rankings for the first time, and it has taken a position in the top 350. It's a remarkable achievement for such a young institution and a testament to the outstanding commitment to excellence in teaching and research across China. It's China's highest new entrant to the rankings.

——Phil Baty, THE Chief Knowledge Officer

(IN MAINLAND CHINA)





# Four frames by which SUSTech Library is being developed



- Library as a place: a place conducive to learning as well as a place where knowledge is stored, managed and made accessible
- Library as a service: a service-oriented institution that meets the demands of its service community
- **Library as a collection**: information is found and delivered anytime and anywhere to one who is in need in the most effective and convenient fashion
- **Library as facilitated by technologies**: new and applicable technologies are used for the efficiency of library operation



## **Key factors to consider when planning**

- Symbolic vs functional
- Independent study vs group study
- Print collection vs electronic collection
- Technologies to be used
- Expectations of the service community

## Key principles in mind when spaces are designed

- Accessibility
- Flexibility
- Mobility
- Transparency





Scott Bennett, former University Librarian of Yale (1994-2001): Library designed for learning (2003)

Putting Learning to Practice, Libraries and the Academy, Vol. 15, No. 2, April 2015, pp. 2015-231



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#### Planning and design of new locations

Location 2, the Science Library (7609





Location 3, the Learning Commons (1250

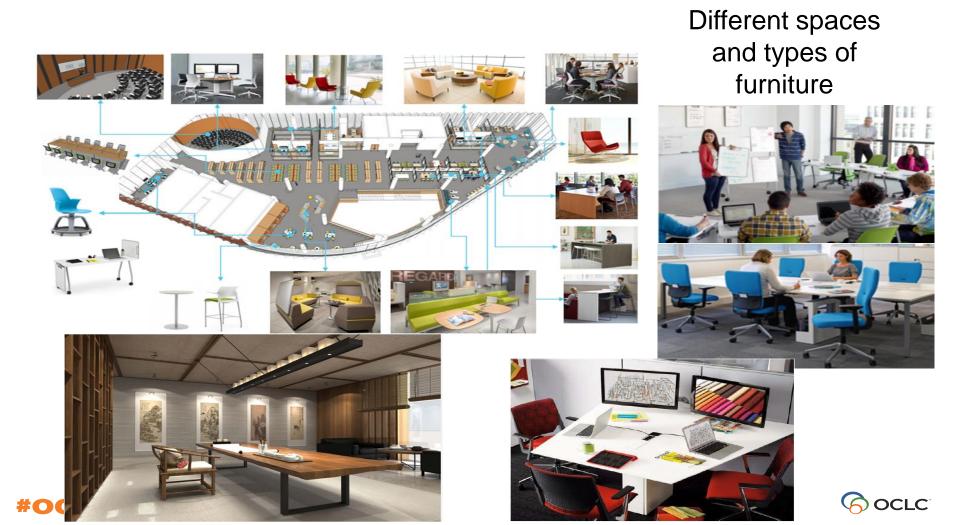


Key to success: effective communications and collaborations between the Library and firms of architects, interior designers and furniture designers











### THANK YOU

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