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Transforming lives, inspiring change
“We never educate directly but indirectly by means of the environment. Whether we permit chance environments to do the work or whether we design environments for the purpose makes a great difference.”

Student Choice - Rationale
Powis, 2010

Resources (Books, IT Facilities, Journals)

Environment (Silent Study, Temperature, Natural Light)

Social (Visibility, Invisibility)

Emotional (Habit, Sense of Belonging, Identity)
Research Objectives

- To map and compare student use of campus space for learning at De Montfort University and the University of Northampton
- To understand why students choose particular spaces for learning
- To understand how students construct narratives about learning spaces
- To investigate whether certain spaces hold iconic status in a learning context
Research Plan

• Literature Review: July – November 2012

• Space Mapping: November 2012

• Semi Structured Interviews: January – February 2013

• Follow Up Interviews: March – April 2013

• Write Up: April – June 2013
Outcomes

• A map of the use of learning space across both universities. This should be used to plan developments in estate and services.

• Internal papers on choice of student learning spaces and on narratives/iconography of space. To be presented to School Experience, Learning & Teaching, University Execs etc.

• External publication including conference papers and articles.
Any Questions?

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