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The University desired to architecturally express the advancement of information technology with a “Library of the 21st Century”. Thus, the impact of evolving information technologies was a point of focus for the program and design. Access was provided to the entire range of information resources, including print and audio visual materials held by local libraries, data accessible through the Internet, and digital libraries. MCH provided acoustical consulting services encompassing all aspects of HVAC noise and vibration control, sound isolation and room acoustics.

The library’s design also provides magnificent views of the Chugach Mountain Range. Study areas were placed on a curvilinear wall facing these breathtaking views. To allow an optimal amount of daylight into the study area while minimizing the harmful effects of UV rays on the library’s collection, the exterior walls were tilted out 12 degrees.

This project encompasses the development of a new 120,000 sf addition to the 87,000sf existing UAA/APU Consortium Library. Construction was completed in 2004 for \$44M and was undertaken in a way to minimize interruption of the existing library.

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