

Chapter 7

Library Buildings on New Campuses

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ABSTRACT

In the 21st century, with increasing enrollment in higher education, the government invests more in education. However, discordance between population growth and land use has become more intense during city development, and land for campuses has become limited. Thus, in order to seek for better natural environment and larger space, university campuses are compelled to shift to suburbs. Suburbanization is the main trend of universities; most colleges and universities nationwide start building their new campuses in the outskirts of cities. To meet faculty and student needs for teaching, learning, research, and literature on new campuses, and to perform better in assessments of educational administrative departments, a new round of library construction boomed. Of course, economic growth and technological development provide strong material foundation and technical support for the construction of academic libraries.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION ON NEW CAMPUSES

In 2013, there were 134 colleges and universities in Jiangsu province, among which were 51 general universities and 83 higher vocational colleges or specialized colleges. Investigation showed that, from 2001 to 2013, 82 colleges and universities constructed new library buildings in Jiangsu, accounting for 61.2% of all. Among those library buildings, 41 were constructed by 38 general universities, which account for 74.5% of all the general universities. The mean area of the newly-built libraries was 31,800 m², as seen in Table 1.

According to incomplete data from the Steering Committee of Academic Libraries in the Ministry of Education of China, 66 general universities were constructing new library buildings in 2013 nationwide; the total planning area of construction was about 1,667,000 m² and the average area of each library was 25,300 m² (Ministry of Education's University Library Factual Database, 2013, 2014). 94 general universities were constructing new library buildings in 2014, with 2,217,000 m² total planning construction areas and 23,600 m² average construction areas.

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Table 1. List of newly-built university library buildings in Jiangsu from 2001 to 2013

No.	Name of University Library	Campus	Area and Year of Completion
1	Duxia Library of Nanjing University	Xianlin Campus	51,200 m ² , September 2009
2	Li Wenzheng Library of Southeast University	Jiulonghu Campus	53,800 m ² , March 2007
3	Hohai University Library	Jiangning Campus	18,100 m ² , 2005
4	China Pharmaceutical University	Jiangning Campus	22,900 m ² , August 2012
5	Jingwen Library of Nanjing Normal University	Xianlin Campus	20,800 m ² , April 2001
6	Nanjing University of Finance & Economics Library	Xianlin Campus	36,500 m ² , November 2005
7	Nanjing University of Posts and Telecommunications Library	Xianlin Campus	33,000 m ² , May 2010
8	Jingwen Library of Nanjing University of Chinese Medicine	Xianlin Campus	29,800 m ² , April 2006
9	Library of Nanjing Forest Police College	Xianlin, Nanjing	10,600 m ² , 2003
10	Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology Library	Pukou Campus	32,400 m ² , 2010
11	Run Run Shaw Library of Nanjing Tech University	Pukou Campus	40,200 m ² , September 2006
12	Library of Nanjing Audit University	Pukou Campus	27,800 m ² , April 2007
13	Library of Jiangsu Police Institute	Pukou Campus	22,000 m ² , 2013
14	Library of Nanjing Medical University	Jiangning Campus	16,000 m ² , June 2007
15	Nanjing Institute of Technology Library	Jiangning Campus	38,500 m ² , April 2008
16	Library of Nanjing Xiaozhuang University	Jiangning Campus	34,400 m ² , June 2012
17	Jinling Institute of Technology Library	Jiangning Campus	34,100 m ² , May 2009
18	Sanjiang University Library	Yuhua District, Nanjing	15,000 m ² , September 2009
19	Jiangnan University Gongyi Library	Lihu Avenue Campus, Wuxi	52,200 m ² , October 2007
20	China University of Mining and Technology Library	Nanhu Campus, Xuzhou	48,500 m ² , October 2007
21	Library of Xuzhou Medical College	Xuzhou	15,000 m ² , 2005
22	Xuzhou Institute of Technology Library	South Campus, Xuzhou	17,000 m ² , 2002
	Run Run Shaw Library, Xuzhou Institute of Technology	Central Campus, Xuzhou	27,700 m ² , 2012
23	Changzhou University Library	Wujin Campus	15,000 m ² , June 2006
24	Jiangsu University of Technology Library	Changzhou	37,800 m ² , October 2009
25	Binglin Library of Soochow University	Dushu Lake Campus	31,300 m ² , September 2006
26	Run Run Shaw Library, Changshu Institute of Technology	Donghu Campus	23,200 m ² , September 2007
	Changshu Institute of Technology Library	Dongnan Campus	24,000 m ² , October 2010
27	Suzhou University of Science and Technology Library	Shihu Campus, Suzhou	39,300 m ² , September 2012
28	Library of Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University	Suzhou	22,000 m ² , August 2013

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