

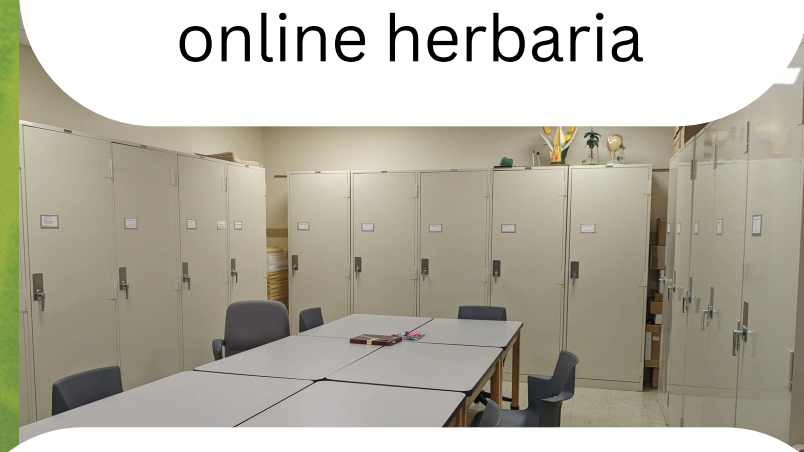
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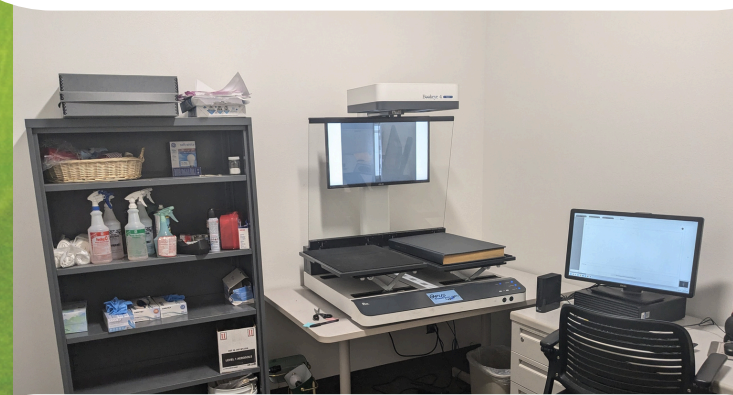
Scanning Herbarium Plant Specimens during Space-limited Library Remodel

Department Concern:
18,000 dried plant
specimens catalogued
but without images
cannot be added to
online herbaria

Library Concern:
BookEye V4 Scanner to be
stored during library
remodel, halting all large
format digitization projects



No images, equipment
or student staff



No Space



Department converted back
closet and added IT ports.

Library provided equipment,
staff and humidifier to maintain
range next to plant dehydrator



For herbarium history and examples



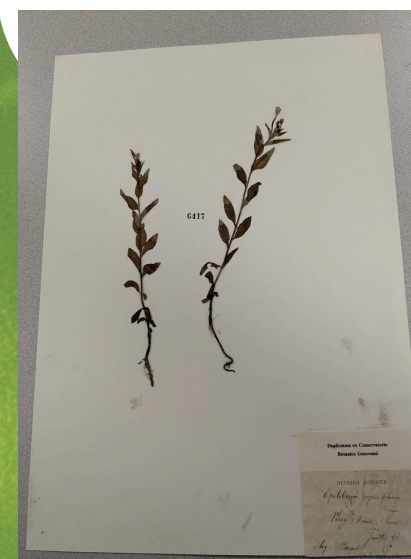
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Special Collections
and Archives

Archives digitization project with
Biology department



A subject librarian learned of the
Herbarium collection from the
curating professor a few months
before the library remodel started.
Working with the professor,
archives moved equipment and a
student work station to benefit
both departments. Images will be
added to an online herbaria upon
completion of the project.

Interdisciplinary Collaboration Benefits

Provide solutions (Space/Service)

More cost-effective than storage

Digitization workflow continues

Scanning and metadata standards

Update inventory

Collection awareness

Preservation advocacy

Future projects



Estimated project
completion:
Spring 2026