

# UC Davis Language Center

## Brief Note on the Facilities and Activities

### Olson 18: Walk-in Lab--12 Apple computers and 12 Windows computers



- Non-reservable, walk-in computer lab
  - Self-paced, individualized foreign language learning, practice, and activities
  - EyeVocab Arabic & EyeVocab Spanish software development and research studies
  - Freshman placement exams during summer months
  - Occasional language club activities on late Friday afternoons
- Note: Increase in head counts by 2,300 during 2012-2013

### Olson 18A: Mac Lab--25 Apple computers with region-free DVD player and projection system



- Teaching languages and cultures with various technologies (language courses and film studies)
- Additional learning space for students if they have to use this room and applications (speaking, AV recording)
- Publishers' demonstration of online course materials and Learning Management Systems
- Graduate seminar courses
- Undergraduate seminar courses, e.g., Japanese origami & kirigami, JPN culture & Ikebana (flower arranging), Kanji paintbrush writing, etc.
- Course material recordings: e.g., an entire French textbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter JPN mini-dialogues
- Data collection for student learning and research (e.g., WebCam recording, Arabic & Spanish EyeVocab, etc.)
- Testing, especially during summer months, mid-terms and final exams
- Workshops, training, conferences, meetings

### Olson 49: Offices, Supplies, Business Files, Individual Testing Stations



- Individual placement exams (> 400 per year)
- Assistance for instructors and users, including consultation
- Staff offices
- Office files and supplies

### Olson 53: Multi-purpose Room and Vocalbooths



- Instructional materials and media reservations
  - Check-outs and check-in (decrease from 11,200 in 2001~2 to 183 in 2012~13)
  - Questions and answers including phone calls
  - Placement exam reservations, administration and proctoring
  - Limited magazines and reading materials
  - Small group study area
- 4 Vocal booths:**
- Video viewing (VHS, DVDs, and Blu-ray DVDs)
  - Quiet, individual learning spaces, e.g., webcam recording, Wimba, Adobe Connect Pro, SoundCloud, Skype, etc.
  - Course material recording
  - Research studies/projects: Eric Russell (French), JPN instructor working with a film industry professional
  - Placement exam and achievement test (FLATS)
- Note: *Listening Material Access by Chinese*: Tapes: 261 (2004-5), Online QT: 13,486 (2005-6), 16,368 (2006-7), 29,031 (2012-13)

### **Olson 53A: Multimedia Presentation/Conference Room**



- Academic events: lectures, brown bags and other presentations
- Language courses: instruction with student performance and video recording, especially end of a quarter
- Film study classes
- Video recording for linguistics courses/presentations
- Large group video viewing
- Language TA Training
- Department and academic meetings
- Club Activities: Japanese Conversation Table, French Club meetings, occasionally Chinese Round Table

### **Olson 57: Multimedia and Digital Listening Lab**



- Classroom instruction
- Digital listening lab (X-Class, 18 faculty users in 2013-2014)
- Teaching and learning foreign language with technology seminars
- Testing: e.g., graduate qualification exams, freshman placement exams, JPN group tests, TOEFL SPEAK Tests (up to 25 sessions per year), final oral exams with X-Class
- (Hands-on) technology workshops, training, conferences, etc.

### **Olson 63: Multimedia Materials Development and Servers**



- Design and develop course materials
- Ph.D and M.A. graduate exams, etc.
- Servers and other multimedia production software and hardware

**Lab Reservations:** 1,000 ~ 1,600 hours of instruction per year at the LLC (computer labs: 700~1000 instructional periods)