

## MAP Summer Space Agreement

We started the practice of providing workspace for summer MAP students many years ago to help build community and to give students a chance to be able to work more effectively. Students who belong to a community of fellow researchers tend to enjoy their experience more than those who do not. An academic social context also helps inexperienced researchers keep on track. In science, a scholarly social context comes with the research itself, because people work together in labs and because there is gathering space for students in the Noyce Science Center. Research in the Humanities and the Social Studies is often a solitary business, so developing a scholarly community has to be a conscious effort.

In the summer of 2004 the Deans' Office began to arrange common work areas for Humanities and Social Studies MAP students. We did our best to place students in the same buildings as their mentors to help facilitate a closer working environment.

Even though these summer workspaces have been created to encourage student community, students must remember that these are academic spaces and should be respected as such. **These spaces are not to be treated as lounges.** For example, debris from food, drinks, etc., should be properly discarded. Radios, TVs, etc., are not allowed. These spaces are in close proximity to faculty, staff and other students who need a quiet environment to conduct their own work. Noise should be kept to a minimum in workspaces and hallways. If a key has been issued to you, do not loan it to another student. Never leave interior or exterior doors propped open. You are responsible for the security of all equipment in your workspace.