This past summer the Odum Institute moved to a newly renovated space in Davis library. SILS now occupies all of Manning Hall. The lower level of Manning is now the largest usable space for new activities. The spaces provides two additional classrooms, additional office space for faculty, staff and students, a larger doctoral student collaboratory and a video production lab. There are three collaboratory areas in the basement:

1) **Interaction collaboratory**—supports research at the intersections of human-computer interaction, information retrieval, and information seeking behaviors. The lab fosters research aimed at understanding how people interact with search systems to satisfy their information needs and how interactive systems can better support these needs.

2) **WiderNet**—the focus of WiderNet is the research and development of appropriate ways to deliver information to those with poor digital communication resources.

3) **Data collaboratory**—Both the DICE Center and Metadata Research Center (MRC) are housed in this space. The MRC does research in the areas of metadata, semantics, and ontologies. The DICE center provides expertise and software technologies in the areas of large-scale data management for collaborative research, digital archiving, and long-term data preservation.
Two years ago, SILS took possession of the Odum Institute’s six offices on the first floor. Student Services administrative staff and faculty are in this suite of offices.
During the summer of 2012 the space which housed iBiblio under went construction dividing the space into three spaces. iBiblio now shares this space with the BitCurator project.

iBiblio is a free and vibrant website which promotes the exchange of ideas among a large community of contributors who share their knowledge across disciplines.

BitCurator is a project that creates and analyzes systems for archivists, librarians and other information professionals to incorporate digital forensics methods.
With the move of the doctoral collaboratory space to the garden level, room 303 is now a seminar space again. This summer new furniture was purchased for room 304, which allows great flexibility of classroom arrangements.