

# **BROOKLYN COLLEGE LIBRARY SELF-STUDY**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **LIBRARY STRENGTHS**

The Library's greatest strengths are its excellent faculty and staff, and its glorious, technologically advanced physical facilities, including both the new building and the Library Café. Our ability to serve the faculty and students of Brooklyn College is also enhanced by our organizational structure, a blended setting including the Library and Academic IT. The combination of superior information and technological skills in a single unit enables us to accomplish more, and more efficiently, than we could were we separate entities.

### **NEW OPPORTUNITIES**

Through the self-study process, the Library/AIT faculty and staff identified many exciting new opportunities, each of them outlined in this document. Many of our recommendations cluster in one of five key areas:

- Greater support for collections, both print and electronic
- Improved and systematic fund-raising
- Expanded electronic services (e-reference; improved proxy access; federated searching; online tutorials; e-reserves) and associated online instruction
- An accelerated online teaching and learning initiative
- An expanded Library outreach effort