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Anatomical Models and the Touch Table



Laupus Health Sciences Library - ECU

- Medicine, Nursing, Allied Health Sciences, & Dental Medicine
- Health Sciences Campus – 3,000
- ECU total enrollment – 29,000
- Model use increased
- More non-HSC students
- Better marketing
- Still not much use on Touch Table
- Everyone needs the same model at the same time



<https://ideum.com/products/touch-tables/platform>

YEAR	Usage Count	Checkout Count
2011	497	36
2012	785	71
2013	1586	87
2014	1174	80
2015	1713	82
2016	3	2125
2017	8	3407

*2018 (Jan-Apr.) - 961

Lessons Learned

- Anatomical Models preferred
- Usage tracking not easy
- Meeting with Advisors & PASC helpful; but not how anticipated
- Queuing system needed
- Discoverability challenging
- Faculty buy in important
- Learning curve on Touch Table – another "duty"
- Table is "glitchy"

Next Steps

- Queuing/reservation system
- Updating photos online
- Touch Table use for History of Medicine events & exhibits
- Usage stats & tracking
- Different virtual anatomy product