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at Broward Community College, Central Campus
Collection Development Statement

SUBJECT: Biology

PURPOSE AND EMPHASIS: The primary purpose of the collection is to support teaching at the undergraduate level. The degree offered are the A.A. and B.Sc. in Biology. Secondary support is directed to faculty research.

COLLECTION GUIDELINES:

- a. Languages: English is the primary language.
- b. Chronological coverage: Emphasis is on the current century, but no period is excluded from consideration.
- c. Geographical coverage: No limitations.
- d. Format: Including but not limited to; books, periodicals, non-print media, and microforms are acquired.
- e. Types of materials: Including but not limited to; atlases, bibliographies, biographies, dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, indices, monographs, and periodicals are acquired.
- f. Treatment of Subject: Materials encompassing principles of biology, biotechnology, cellular biology, general concepts and principles of genetics, advanced genetics, evolution, ecology, anatomy and physiology, molecular biology, and zoology are collected. Historical materials dealing with the development of the biological sciences, including biographies of noted biologists and naturalists are purchased. Materials on legal, ethical and environmental issues in biological sciences are purchased.
- g. Date of Publication: Current in-print publications receive priority.
- h. Reference Collection: The reference Collection mirrors and supports the practices outlined in the Biology Collection Development Statement. To this end, English-language biology indices and bibliographies are purchased to provide access to the literature of biology. Standard biology dictionaries, handbooks, biographical references, encyclopedias, and yearbooks are updated regularly.
- i. Acquisitions plans affecting the Biology Collection:
 1. Standing Orders:
 - Applied Science and Technology Index
 - Biological and Agricultural Index
 - CINAHL
 - General Science Index
 - McGraw Hill Yearbook of Science and Technology
 - Medline
 - Science Year
 2. Blanket orders: None
- j. Deselection/ Replacement: Materials in the field of biology must be current. Efforts are made to insure that the collection is up-to-date and relevant to the current program. Candidates for deselection/ replacement are evaluated according to the General Collection Development Policy.

Collection Assessment Tools:

American Association for the Advancement of Science. Science Books and Films
American Library Association. Books for College Libraries
American Reference Books Annual
Balay, Robert. Guide to Reference Books
General Science Index
Magills Survey of Science
Sader. Topical Reference Books

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