

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE LIBRARY
at Broward Community College, Central Campus
Collection Development Statement

SUBJECT: English

Purpose and Emphasis: The primary purpose of the collection is to support teaching at the core curriculum level. Degree offered is the A.A. Secondary support is directed to faculty research.

COLLECTION GUIDELINES:

- a. Languages: English is the primary language. Works written in languages other than English are purchased in English translation
- b. Chronological coverage: None
- c. Geographical coverage: None
- d. Format: Including but not limited to; books, periodicals, and microforms are acquired.
- e. Types of Materials: Including but not limited to; anthologies, bibliographies, biographies, concordances, dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, indices, monographs, non-print media and periodicals are acquired.
- f. Treatment of subject: Materials encompassing basic grammar, spelling, punctuation, paragraph and writing development skills will be acquired. Books on research methods, library skills, and study skills shall be purchased. Materials which accommodate a wide range of reading levels shall be acquired. Style manuals shall be acquired. All literary genres are collected. Publications of major American, European and Latin American authors are collected. Supplementary materials of a bibliographic, biographical, critical, and historical nature are collected intensively. Priority is given to scholarly works, but a selective number of materials such as an author's first work, bestsellers, or popular fiction are acquired.
- g. Date of Publication: Current in-print publications receive priority; however, retrospective materials are purchased in available formats as budget permits.
- h. Reference Collections: The Reference Collection mirrors and supports the acquisition practices outlined in the English Collection Development statement. To this end, Major English language abstracts, indices, and bibliographies are purchased to provide access to literature. Standard literary dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, biographical references, dictionaries and yearbooks are updated regularly.
- i. Acquisition plans affecting the Collection:
 1. Standing Orders:
 - Best American Short Stories
 - Contemporary Authors
 - Contemporary Authors - Autobiography Series
 - Contemporary Authors - Revision Series
 - Contemporary Literary Criticism
 - Current Biography
 - Dictionary of Literary Biography
 - Facts on File
 - Information Aids
 - Literature Criticism from 1400-1800
 - Magill's Literary Annual
 - M.L.A. International Bibliography
 - Nineteenth Century Literary Criticism
 - O'Henry Prize Stories
 - Opposing Viewpoints
 - Poetry Criticism
 - Short Story Criticism
 - Twentieth Century Literary Criticism
- j. Deselection/Replacement: This area does not require frequent revision, so deselection can be kept to a minimum. Candidates for deselection/replacement are evaluated according to the General Collection Development Policy.

Collection Assessment Tools:

American Library Association. Books for College Libraries

Balay, Robert. Guide to Reference Books

Bracken, James. Reference Works In British and American Literature
Essay and General Literature Index

Gohdes and Marovitz. Bibliographical Guide to the Study of the Literature of the U.S.A.
Humanities Index

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