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**Collection Development Statement**

**Subject: Geology**

The purpose of the collection is to support teaching and research at the core curriculum level. Degree offered is the A.A. Secondary support is given to faculty research.

COLLECTION GUIDELINES:

- a. Languages: English is the principal language of the collection.
- b. Chronological Coverage: Emphasis is on the current century, but no period is excluded from consideration for the collection.
- c. Geographical Coverage: Primary emphasis is on geological science in North America and secondary emphasis is on world geology.
- d. Format: Including but not limited to; books, periodicals, non-print media, maps, and selected materials in microforms will be collected.
- e. Types of Material: Including but not limited to; encyclopedias, dictionaries, handbooks, statistical publications, field guides, bibliographies, biographies, atlases, maps, monographs and journals. Pertinent government documents are acquired,
- f. Treatment of Subject: Publications encompassing physical geography, historical geography, mineralogy, and paleontology are collected. Historical materials dealing with the development of geology are purchased. Works of a popular nature are acquired selectively.
- g. Date of Publication: Current in-print publications receive priority; however, selected retrospective publications are purchased in available formats as budget permits.
- h. Reference Collection: The Reference Collection mirrors and supports the current acquisition practices of the Geology collection development statement. To this end, English language indices and bibliographies are purchased to provide access to the literature. Standard geologic dictionaries, encyclopedias, and handbooks are updated regularly.
- i. Acquisition Plans Affecting Geology Collection:
  1. Standing Orders:
    - General Science Index
    - McGraw-Hill Yearbook of Science and Technology
    - Science Year
  2. Blanket Orders: None
- j. Deselection/Replacement: Materials in the field of Geology should be current. Every effort is made to insure that the collection is up-to-date and germane to the programs offered. Thus, erroneous and dated materials are prime candidates for deselection/replacement, unless they retain some seminal or historical value. Materials for deselection/replacement are evaluated in accordance with the General Collection Development Policy.

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American Library Association. Books for College Libraries  
American Reference Book Annual  
Balay, Robert. Guide to Reference Books  
Encyclopedia of Physical Sciences and Engineering Information Sources  
Magill's Survey of Science: Earth Science Series

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