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Collection Development Statement

Subject: History

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

Collection Guidelines:

- a. Languages: English is the principal language of the collection. Works written in languages other than English are purchased selectively and usually in English translation.
- b. Chronological Coverage: No limitations.
- c. Geographical Coverage: Emphasis is on materials about the United States, Western Europe, and Latin America, but no area is excluded.
- d. Format: Including but not limited to; books, periodicals, non-print media and selected materials in microforms are acquired.
- e. Types of Material: Including but not limited to; encyclopedias, directories, dictionaries, handbooks, bibliographies, biographies, statistical publications, monographs, and journals are collected.
- f. Treatment of Subject: Publications encompassing political, cultural, demographic, diplomatic, economic, ethnic, intellectual, military, social and technological aspects of history are collected. Materials written on a popular level 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 acquisition practices outlined in the History collection development statement. Standard historical dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, directories, yearbooks, and statistical abstracts are updated regularly.
- i. Acquisition Plans Affecting History Collection:
 1. Standing Orders
 - Africa 20
 - Africa South of the Sahara
 - Biography and Genealogy Master Index. Supplement.
 - Dictionary of American Biography
 - Dictionary of International Biography
 - Dictionary of the Middle Ages
 - Editorials on File
 - Encyclopedia USA
 - Facts on File Five Year Index
 - Facts on File Yearbook
 - Far East and Australia
 - Historic Documents
 - International Who's Who
 - Marquis Who's Who Index To Who's Who Books
 - Middle East and North Africa
 - What They Said In
 - Who's Who In America
 - Who's Who In the East
 - Who's Who in the Midwest
 - Who's Who in the West
 - Who's Who of American Women
 2. Blanket Orders: None
- j. Deselection/Replacement: Publication date is not a major criterion for assessment, thus deselection/replacement is kept to a minimum. Candidates for deselection or replacement are evaluated in accordance with the General Collection Development Policy.

Collection Assessment Tools:

American Library Association. Books for College Libraries
American Reference Books Annual
Balay, Robert. Guide to Reference Books
Essay and General Literature Index
Fritze, Ronald. Reference Sources in History
Humanities Index
Sader, Marion. Topical Reference Books

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