

Collection Development Policy World Language Studies

Subject Librarian: Kirby Cheng

Purpose of policy: The collection development policy guides the development and management of the collection for World Languages.

Program Description: The Mission of the Department of World Language Studies is to prepare students for citizenship in a multi-cultural, multi-lingual global community. The Department promotes proficiency in languages, knowledge of cultures and literatures, and students' active engagement in cultural and linguistic exchanges.

Areas of established specialization: Languages and Literatures of French, German, Spanish and Japanese.

New and expanding areas of interest: East Asian Culture & Society

Recent changes (past five years) in courses taught, program focus, or faculty interest:

New course: EALC-E350 Studies in East Asian Society

Degrees Offered:

World Language Studies offers three undergraduate degrees:

Bachelors of Arts in French, German, or Spanish and three minor options: French, German, or Spanish.

In addition to undergraduate degrees and minors, there are also three interdisciplinary minors: East Asian Studies, European Studies, and Latin American / Latino Studies.

Clientele: The primary clientele are the undergraduate students and faculty of the world Languages Department.

General Collection Guidelines

Readership level: The collection consists primarily of works written for the basic through advanced undergraduate level and for basic faculty research. Graduate- and research-level publications are collected selectively.

Chronological periods collected: The collection emphasizes current material, with the primary purpose of supporting coursework, student research, and basic faculty research. Older imprints are acquired rarely.

Subject Emphases: Traditionally, the collection focuses on the topics: Languages and Literatures of French, German, Spanish and Japanese; publications on cultures, and histories of the related nations.

Current Collecting Priorities: Journal article databases on the above listed topics with monographs and media items as supplements.

Languages: The collection is in: French, German, Spanish, Japanese and English.

Geographic coverage: Coverage is worldwide.

Types of Materials Included: Scholarly serials, monographs, videos, and electronic resources are collected.

Types of Materials Excluded: Pamphlets, newsletters, article reprints, textbooks, are not generally collected.

Reference: Reference material are selected by the subject librarian following the general subject parameters of the **collection policy**.

Interdisciplinary Considerations: Due to the interdisciplinary nature of the East Asian Studies, European Studies, and Latin American / Latino Studies, publications on cultures, histories of the related nations are occasionally selected.

Location: Materials are housed in the Schurz Library. Works specifically about the disciplines are classified in the following schedules of Library of Congress system.

French Language	PC2001-3761
Spanish language	PC4001-4977
German Language	PF3001-5999
French Literature	PQ1-3999
Spanish literature	PQ6001-8929
German literature	PT1-4897
Japanese language and literature	PL501-889
European Studies	D-DD
Asian Studies	DS
Latin America/Spanish America	F 1201-3799