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I. GENERAL ACADEMIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

The architecture collection supports the teaching, research, and service activities of the entire university community. Its primary audience is the faculty, staff, and students of the College of Architecture. Its primary focus is support for the undergraduate and graduate curricula for architecture, landscape architecture, community and regional planning, and interior design. Research needs of faculty and students are supplemented through Interlibrary Loan. While the collection also benefits other citizens of the state of Nebraska, materials are not purchased with them in mind. The collection focuses on works classified in Library of Congress call numbers NA, but includes many other call numbers areas as well, including but not limited to E, F, portions of HT, KFN, N, NB-NE, NK, SB, TH, and TT. Visual and video materials are collection priorities as well, in the form of DVDs and digital image collections. Research support is also provided by other areas of the general library collection.

History of the College and programs

Architectural education has existed at UNL since 1894. In 1913 the first four year degree was offered through the College of Engineering in Architectural Engineering. In 1930 a Department of Architecture was created within the College of Engineering, followed by a School of Architecture in 1964. In 1943 the Architecture Library was established. In 1973, a new College of Architecture was created, and offered a Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies, a Masters of Architecture, and a new graduate program in Community and Regional Planning was launched. In the early 1990s, Interior Design was transferred from the Department of Textiles, Clothing, and Design in the College of Home Economics, to the College of Architecture. In 2006, a 5-year professional degree in Landscape Architecture was launched. Currently there are 38 faculty and approximately 600 students enrolled in programs within the College.

College of Architecture programs

The College of Architecture consists of three academic programs offering degrees in four distinct options: Architecture, Landscape Architecture + Community and Regional Planning, and Interior Design. The architecture option includes a two-year, pre-architecture program, a Bachelor of Science in Design - Architectural Studies, professional Master of Architecture program, a post-professional Master's Degree, and a Ph.D. program. Admission to the Bachelors of Science, Masters, and PhD programs is based on a competitive application process. The professional Master of Architecture degree is accredited by the National Architectural Accreditation Board (NAAB).

The interior design option includes a pre-interior design program followed by two years of interior design instruction leading to a Bachelor of Science in Design - Interior Design. The interior design program is fully accredited by the Council for Interior Design Education. Admission is based on a competitive application process.

The landscape architecture option is a new program currently in the process of obtaining accreditation from the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board (LAAB). The Masters of Landscape Architecture, a five year professional degree, is offered.

The Masters of Community & Regional Planning (MCRP) degree option is a graduate level program, nationally accredited by the Planning Accreditation Board.

Professional architects, designers and planners from the Lincoln-Omaha area are regular users of the Architecture Library. Both individuals and firms make heavy use of the periodicals, codebooks, cost information data, and historical and critical monographs.

II. GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

Traditionally emphasis was given to Western architecture, to Far Eastern architecture, and, in decreasing order of priority, to African, Middle Eastern, South American, Pacific, and Polar architecture. No area of the world is excluded from the basic level collections and an effort is made to increase representation of geographic areas that currently have minimal coverage.

III. CHRONOLOGICAL COVERAGE

Materials covering all times and eras are collected at the research and study levels. Current coverage of technical materials is more important than historical coverage.

IV. IMPRINT DATE

Current materials receive primary emphasis. Retrospective purchasing concentrates on areas collected at the research level. At the study and basic levels, only current publications are collected.

V. FORMAT /TYPE AND LEVEL OF MATERIALS

Most materials are acquired in the form of periodicals and monographs. The need for currency and the visual nature of the field mandate an emphasis on periodical publications. An increase in the acquisition of visual materials is on-going, both in the form of DVDs and videos, and in digital image collections that complement course offerings and instruction.

VI. LANGUAGES

English is the preferred language in which resources are collected at all levels. When English translations are unavailable, materials at the research and study levels are also collected in the original language. Much material essential to the collection is published only in Japanese, German, Italian or occasionally other European languages. Because of the highly visual nature of architectural design these materials are still usable to those who speak and read only English. This is particularly true of the Japanese and European periodicals which provide excellent visual documentation, particularly plans and architectural drawings.

VII. SPECIAL FACTORS

There is significant overlap between the Architecture Library and other UNL collections. General art histories and social histories related to the study of design disciplines are housed at Love. The atlases and maps to which students occasionally refer also are found in Love Library and Geology Library. Economics, urban histories, and sociologic materials are collected primarily at Love Library. Textiles, Plant Sciences and Horticulture are housed at CY Thompon. The Nebraska State Historical Society Library's collections of archival materials such as local photographs, local histories and information about rural Nebraska architecture are important resources to the College of Architecture. The Nebraska State Capitol building has an extensive archive on its design and construction.

Most of the publications of the following societies and professional organizations are important acquisitions: Royal Institute of British Architects, Environmental Design Research Association (ERDA), the American Institute of Architects, the American Society of Landscape Architects, the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, the Society of Architectural Historians, the US Green Building Council, the Urban Land Institute, the American Planning Association, and the Interior Design Educators Council.

Architecture Library also includes the Architectural Visual Resources Collection, consisting of over 200,000 digital images, and over 100,000 slides. Digital images are purchased in large sets; slides are no longer actively collected, however, they are occasionally donated by faculty and students.

Materials such as books, periodicals, plans ("blueprints"), house organs, trade catalogs, DVDs and other non-traditional items are occasionally donated to the Architecture Library, and are selectively added.

VIII. CLASSIFICATION AND INTENSITY LISTING

BF 408 Psychology. Creative processes BASIC

BF 469 Consciousness. Cognition. Perception: Space STUDY

BF 637 Applied psychology. Special topics BASIC

BF 717 Psychology of play BASIC

BF 723 S63 Developmental psychology... Space perception BASIC

BF 789 C7 Psychology of color BASIC

BH 39 General works: aesthetics BASIC

BH 301 Special topics [selected] [for ex.,.C6 color .S6S space .F6 form] BASIC

CC 135 Archaeology: preservation, restoration, and conservation of antiquities BASIC

D-DX History: general and old world [selected topics]

Preservation of historic monuments BASIC

Castles, halls, cathedrals BASIC

Watering places BASIC

Palaces BASIC

Parishes, boroughs, streets, etc. BASIC

Institutions BASIC

Guidebooks BASIC

Churches, Temples , Altars BASIC

Theatres BASIC

Fountains BASIC

Parks Streets, bridges, etc. BASIC

Suburbs BASIC

Antiquities BASIC

Sections, Districs, Regions, etc. BASIC

Gates BASIC

Cities, towns, etc. BASIC

Buildings STUDY

E, F History: Americas [selected topics sam as for D-DX, with same intensity levels]

GF 27 Study and teaching BASIC

GT 170-474 Houses. Dwellings MINIMAL

GV 182.3 Recreational areas and facilities. Facilities planning. Standards BASIC

GV 198 L3 Camping. Layouts, building, facilities, etc. BASIC

GV 401-433 Physical education facilities. Sports facilities BASIC

GV [Selected topics] Facilities of individual sports [this covers many sports] BASIC

HC Economic history STUDY

HD 1-6999 Land agriculture STUDY

HD 7000-7399 Housing RESEARCH

HD 9715 Construction industry housing STUDY

HE Transportation and communication STUDY

HF 5429-5430 Downtown development and shopping centers RESEARCH

HJ Public finance-program budgeting STUDY

HT 101-384 City Planning and urban renewal RESEARCH

HT 390-395 Regional planning RESEARCH

HT 401-485 Rural sociology STUDY

HV 7231-9920 Penology BASIC

JK Political science-U.S. (exception: research level on Great Plains materials) BASIC

JS Local government (exception: research level on Basic Great Plains materials) BASIC

KFA-KFX Law BASIC

KFN 459 Building Laws-Nebraska STUDY

LB 3205-3325 School Architecture STUDY

N 1-72 Visual Arts: General. Theory. Philosophy. Aesthetics of the visual arts. STUDY

NA Architecture. RESEARCH

NB-NE Sculpture. Drawing. Design. Illustration. Painting. Print Media. BASIC

NK 1-70 Decorative arts. General works. BASIC

NK 1160-1535 Decoration and ornament. Design STUDY

NK 1700-3505 Interior decoration. House decoration RESEARCH

QC 220-229 Acoustics. Sound BASIC

RA Health planning BASIC

RA 967-969 Health Facilities. Hospital buildings RESEARCH

S 900-972 Conservation (preservation of open space; recreation) STUDY

SB 450.9-467 Gardens and gardening STUDY

SB 469-476 Landscape gardening. Landscape architecture RESEARCH

SB 481-485 Parks and public reservations BASIC

TA 663-695 Design and construction in special materials STUDY

TD 160-167 Gardens, trees, plants, etc. STUDY

TD 160-167 Engineering works in city planning BASIC

TH Building construction STUDY

TT 180-200 Woodworking BASIC

Z Bibliography relating to architecture, landscape architecture, planning RESEARCH