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The Love Library print reference collection provides access to information essential to the instructional, research, and service programs of the University community. It integrates with the library electronic reference collection and operates according to principles stated in the University Libraries Reference Collection Development Policy. As a result it primarily contains items preferred in print because of cost, availability, use patterns, ease of use, archival needs, completeness, need for official text, need for cumulative data, delays in the publication of electronic versions, or instability of online sources.

The Love Library print reference collection offers general reference materials and supports the curricula and research needs of the humanities, social sciences, fine and performing arts, sciences. The needs of Interlibrary Loan, library administration, and other library units are also considered. The level of the collection reflects the Love Library general circulating collection. Only basic materials are provided for those subject areas heavily supported by another branch library: music, architecture, interior design, mathematics, engineering, agriculture, natural resources, human sciences, food science, communication disorders, special education, geology, and law. The library attempts to maintain a number and level of works consistent with student and faculty needs. Comprehensiveness is the goal in only limited areas.

Works are primarily in English and appropriate for an academic audience. They cover the full spectrum of chronology and geography and reflect the diversity of cultures, societies, and people.

Collection Areas:

A General Works

B Philosophy, Psychology, Religion

C Auxiliary Sciences of History highly limited coverage for genealogy

D,E,F History comprehensive for Great Plains and Plains Indians

G Geography, Anthropology, Recreation no coverage for hobbies or recreation titles unrelated to curricula

H Economics, Business, Sociology

J Political Science

K Law limited coverage in most areas; comprehensive for Indian law

L Education limited coverage in special education

M Music limited coverage

N Fine Arts limited coverage for NA architecture

P Language & Literature

Q Science limited coverage for natural resources

R Medicine *limited coverage*

S Agriculture *limited coverage*

T Technology limited coverage

U,V Military & Naval Science

Z Bibliography, Library Science