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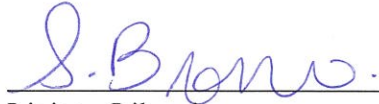
The accompanying Collection Development Policy statement is submitted by Sarah Brown, Liaison Librarian for the Department of Philosophy and is approved by the undersigned.



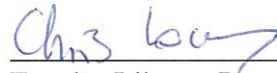
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Collection Development Policy statement for Philosophy.

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Persons Responsible for Collection

The decision to select library materials related to philosophy is the responsibility of the Liaison Librarian in consultation with the Faculty Library Representative.

Department Description and Purpose

The Department of Philosophy offers courses of study from the undergraduate to the PhD level, including a PhD in Applied Philosophy, and is also home to the Cognitive Science program as well as Women's Studies. The Liaison Librarian works with Liaisons responsible for related departments to adequately meet the needs for the Cognitive Science program and Women's Studies.

Materials collected support teaching and research needs of faculty, graduate, and undergraduate students with emphasis on these areas: ancient philosophy, cognitive science, early modern philosophy, epistemology, ethics, feminist philosophy, history of analytic philosophy, history and philosophy of science, mathematics and technology, history of science, mathematics and technology, mathematical and philosophical logic, metaphysics, philosophy of economics, philosophy of language, philosophy of disability, philosophy of law, philosophy of mathematics, philosophy of mind, philosophy of science, and political philosophy.

Scope of Coverage

Languages

English is the core collection language. Materials in French, German, Greek, Italian and Latin are collected, if appropriate.

Geographical Areas

There are no specific limits.

Chronological Periods

Coverage is generally from 500 BC to the present.

Dates and Places of Publication

Priority is given to current materials published in North America and Europe; retrospective and older materials along with materials published in other areas are collected if appropriate.

Types and Formats of Materials Collected

The types of materials collected are books; periodicals, including monographic series; conference proceedings; festschrifts; and reference works, including encyclopedias, dictionaries, and research databases (indexes and abstracts). The formats of materials are generally print or electronic. The Library does not acquire textbooks. The Library does not acquire materials in a format for which access cannot be provided in the Library.

All collections are reviewed systematically for currency of information and to ensure that essential and important resources are retained. Superseded editions and titles containing outdated information are withdrawn as necessary. Classic retrospective materials are retained and preserved to serve the needs of foundational and historical study.

Other Resources Available

The Library explore opportunities for collaborative purchases with the Ontario Council of University Libraries and the Canadian Research Knowledge Network.

Subjects and Collecting Levels

(For further explanation about collecting levels, see Appendix 1)

Aesthetics	Instructional (Undergraduate)
American Philosophy	Research
Analytic Philosophy	Research
History of Analytic Philosophy	Research
Ancient Philosophy	Research
Cognitive Science	Research
Continental Philosophy	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Critical Thinking	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Decision Theory	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Early Modern Philosophy	Research
Epistemology	Research
Social Epistemology	Research
Ethics	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Applied Ethics	Research
Bioethics	Research
Contemporary Moral Theory	Research
Environmental Ethics	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Medical Ethics	Research
Metaethics	Research
Feminism	Research
Feminist Philosophy	Research
Feminist Theory & Methodology	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Gender and Queer Theory	Research
History of Logic	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Mathematical and Philosophical Logic	Research
Philosophy of Mathematics	Research
History and Philosophy of Science	Research
History of Science, Mathematics & Technology	Research
Ancient Science, Mathematics & Technology	Research
Islamic Science, Mathematics & Technology	Research
Early Modern Science, Mathematics & Technology	Research
Islamic Philosophy	Research
Logic	Research
Formal Logic	Research
Medieval Philosophy	Research
Medieval Science & Mathematics	Research
Metaphysics	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Analytical Metaphysics	Research
Modern Philosophy (17th and 18th centuries)	Research
Moral Psychology	Research
Philosophy of Economics	Research
Philosophy of/in Literature	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Philosophy of Language	Research
Philosophy of Law	Research
Philosophy of Medicine	Research
Philosophy of Mind	Research
Philosophy of Religion	Basic Information/Reference Level
Philosophy of Science	Research

Philosophy of Physics	Research
Philosophy of Biology	Research
Political Philosophy & Theory	Research
Pragmatism	Research
Professional and Business Ethics	Instructional (Undergraduate)
Social Philosophy	Research
Theories of Truth	Research
Women, Gender and Diversity in Canada	Instructional (Undergraduate)

Library of Congress Outline – Philosophy

B	Philosophy
BC	Logic
BD	Speculative philosophy
BF38 – 64	Philosophy. Relation to other topics
BF309-499	Consciousness. Cognition.
BF 41- 171	Psychological philosophy
BF 199	Behaviourism
BF 204.5	Phenomenological psychology
BF 467 – 475	Time. Space. Causality.
BF 608 – 628	Will. Determinism
BF608 – 635	Will volition choice control
BH	Aesthetics
BJ	Ethics
BL 51	Philosophy of religion
HQ	The Family, Marriage, Women
HV 4701 – 4759	Treatment of animals
JA 71 – 84	Political philosophy
JC 11 – 599	Political theory
K 201 - 487	Philosophy and theory of law
LC 268 – 269	Moral education
P 85-106	Philosophy of language
PN 45 - 49	Philosophy and literature
Q 173-177	Philosophy and science
QA 8-10.3	Mathematical logic
QA 269	Game theory
QC 6	Philosophy of Physics
QH 332	Bioethics
QH 361	Evolution
QP 376 – 426	Brain/physiology and psychology
QP 411	Consciousness
R 723-727	Philosophy of medicine, Medical ethics
R 850 – 853	Medical research – moral aspects
RA 1067	Abortion
TD 171 – 178	Environmental ethics
Z7125-7130	Philosophy bibliographies and reference guides

Appendix 1

Explanation of Levels of Collecting, adapted from Research Library Group Guidelines

Levels of Collecting

Out of Scope

Materials to support research and curricula in this subject area are not covered in this Collection Policy Statement. Coverage of interdisciplinary subject areas and topics linked across departments can be identified with references to other Collection Policy Statements.

Basic Information/Reference Level

The collection serves to introduce and define the subject. Only the most important reference works, general surveys, the most significant works of major authors, and a limited selection of representative general periodicals are collected.

Instructional Support Level (Undergraduate)

The collection supports all courses of undergraduate study. Materials collected include a wide range of reference works, fundamental bibliographic tools, and an extensive collection of monographs and periodicals. Access to owned or remotely-accessed electronic resources, including texts, journals, data sets, etc. is provided.

Research Level

The collection includes major published source materials required for master's degree programmes, doctoral study and independent research in the subject. All formats, including appropriate foreign-language titles, are acquired. Historically important monographs, archival materials, and back-runs of serials are acquired as necessary.