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**New Art Decorates Walls of SSHEL**

SSHEL has gotten a major revamp! Seventeen new pieces of art now decorate the walls of rooms in SSHEL North and SSHEL South on the first floor of the Main Library.

Each piece was chosen to reflect just a few of the many subjects covered by the Social Sciences, Health, and Education Library. For example, SSHEL’s expertise in Economics is reflected by a poster outlining the circular flow of goods.

A new piece showing the human body’s muscular system demonstrates SSHEL’s collection of resources related to health topics. Established at the University of Illinois in 1949, the collections of the Applied Health Sciences Library became a part of SSHEL in 2012.

A poster outlining the Library of Congress classification system exhibits SSHEL’s expertise in Library and Information Science. The LIS Library also merged with SSHEL in 2012.

The remaining posters cover topics in Diversity, Anthropology, Education, Political Science, and many other subjects.

Feel free to stop by to admire these new additions to SSHEL.
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The Ernest J. Reece Endowment Fund was established to support innovations in library and information science library services in the former Library and Information Science Library, and continues to support LIS collections and services, and the LIS Virtual Library portal.
Celebrations and Memorials

Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Kuroghlian:
In memory of Mrs. Sarah R. Herz

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In honor of Sandy Wolf’s retirement from SSHEL

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$1,000 to purchase and install 6 to 7 art prints for a large wall space to create a more welcoming atmosphere. Each print will represent one of the subject areas included in SSHEL. Each framed piece costs $120; smaller donations are welcome!

$3,000 to fund the hiring of a graduate student to take on a special project—scanning the Library’s significant collection of historical public library annual reports. Scanning will allow these items to be more widely accessible and findable (due to enhanced cataloging taking place at the same time).

$3,500 to purchase the 4th edition of the Encyclopedia of Library and Information Sciences, the major reference source for LIS topics used in several LIS courses. The 4th edition will be published this fall.