

ANTHROPOLOGY
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I. DESCRIPTION

A. Purpose: The collection supports the present and anticipated teaching and research programs in the field of anthropology and its subdisciplines. The Department of Anthropology offers both undergraduate and graduate degree programs leading to the B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. The collection also supports teaching and research in other disciplines with related interests and the area studies programs. Conversely, the collection relies on many other libraries for support, especially Biology and Modern Languages and the area studies programs.

B. History of Collection: While teaching and research in anthropology had occurred for many years, it was not until 1960 that a separate department and separate book fund for anthropology were established. From 1960 until 1964 when the collection responsibility was transferred to the reorganized Education and Social Science Library, the fund was administered by the Commerce and Sociology Library. It was not until 1975 that an anthropology specialist was employed to develop the collections. Because of the limited amount of publishing and the pattern of publishing in anthropology, museum and government series, the collection is reasonably strong for those years prior to World War II. During the post war years, the collection did not fare as well. However, with the addition of the Sweitzer Endowment (1980) a concerted effort has been made to build the collection into one of the premier collections in the country.

C. Estimate of Holdings: 90,000 volumes. Previous estimates of the collection size have been remarkably low because of the mistaken assumption that all, or at least the majority, of materials are classed in Dewey 572 and 913. In fact, it is doubtful if more than 25 percent of the University of Illinois anthropological materials are located in these two call number sequence. The current estimate is based not only on those sequences but also appropriate sequences within history, language, social science, and music among others.

D. State, Regional, and National Importance: Overall the collection ranks in the top ten nationally. For material published in the last ten years the collection ranks among the three or four best in the country. The collection is particularly strong in materials of the Americas.

E. Unit Responsible for Collecting: Education and Social Science Library.

F. Location of Materials: The majority of current English language materials is located in the Education and Social Science Library. Older materials and foreign language materials are primarily housed in the Bookstacks although anthropological materials are found in numerous departmental libraries. A recent analysis of citations in the ten most cited journals in anthropology revealed that 15 percent of the items were located in the Education and Social Science Library and 60 percent were located in the main Bookstacks. The remaining 25 percent of the materials were located in 18 other libraries in the system.

G. Citations of Works Describing the Collection:

Downs, p. 16.

II. GENERAL COLLECTION GUIDELINES

A. Languages: Standard statement. In addition, there is a special effort to acquire Burmese language materials.

B. Chronological Guidelines: No restrictions. In fact, chronological interests are broad and inclusive, beginning with the prehistoric period and continuing to the present time.

C. Geographical Guidelines: No restrictions. Special emphasis is given at the present time to research on North and South America, Mesoamerica, Russia and Siberia, India, Oceania, South East Asia and subSaharan Africa.

D. Treatment of Subject: Standard statement. In addition, an effort is made to collect all publications directly associated with anthropology and its related subjects, with a strong emphasis on cultural and social anthropology as well as the theory and philosophy of the social sciences. Of specific interest are the cultures of preliterate people, contemporary social structures and organizations of both the developed and undeveloped areas of the world. Works on archaeology, especially dealing with such topics as field methods, agricultural origins and systems, contract archaeology, and archaeological technology, with special interests in archaeological finds in Illinois, are collected intensively. Classical, i.e. Greek and Roman, archaeology is collected by the Classics Library. The study of folklore in particular that related to preliterate societies and including folktales, myths, proverbs, ballads, and superstitions, as well as the methodology of folklore are within the purview of the Anthropology collection. The English Library and Modern Languages and Linguistics Library collect appropriate folklore material for their geographical areas of interest.

Because of the cross-relationship between physical anthropology and biology, relevant physical anthropology materials are collected by the Biology Library. Materials that have a cultural or anthropological focus, rather than a biological one, are collected for Anthropology. Likewise, there is overlapping responsibility with Linguistics. Anthropology collects only in the areas of cognitive linguistics, and ethno-linguistics with a clear anthropological focus, as well as language as a reflection of culture.

E. Types of Materials: Standard statement.

F. Date of Publication: Standard statement.

G. Place of Publication: No restrictions.

III. COLLECTION RESPONSIBILITY BY SUBJECT SUBDIVISIONS WITH QUALIFICATIONS,
LEVELS OF COLLECTING INTENSITY, AND ASSIGNMENTS.

<u>SUBJECTS</u>	<u>ES</u>	<u>CL</u>	<u>DL</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>
ANTHROPOLOGY (History, method, theory)	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
ARCHAEOLOGY Classical Greece and Rome	4	3	4	CLASSICS/ architecture/ anthropology
Agricultural origins	4	4	4	AGRICULTURE/ anthropology
Ethnobotany	4	4	4	BIOLOGY/ anthropology
Lithic analysis	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Method and theory	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Prehistory	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
APPLIED ANTHROPOLOGY	3	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
LINGUISTICS Cognitive anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY/ linguistics
Linguistic anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY/ linguistics
PHYSICAL ANTHROPOLOGY Forensic anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Human evolution	4	4	4	BIOLOGY/ anthropology
Human genetics	3	3	4	BIOLOGY/ anthropology
Method and theory	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Osteology	3	3	4	BIOLOGY/ anthropology
Primatology	3	3	4	BIOLOGY/ anthropology
SOCIAL & CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY Culture change	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Cultural and human ecology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Economic anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Education and anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Ethography	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Ethnohistory	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Ethnology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Folklore of preliterate groups	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Legal anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Medical anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Method and theory	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Political anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Social structure	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Symbolic systems	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY
Urban anthropology	4	4	4	ANTHROPOLOGY