

HISTORY
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I. DESCRIPTION

A. Purpose: To support instruction and research in every field and period of history, and for related fields.

B. History of Collection: Works by historians and on historical subjects have been part of the University Library from its origin. During the hundred or so years of the University's history the collections have grown in size, scope and complexity, with books and periodicals augmented by a multitude of special collections, and in the full range of available formats. There has always been a fund for the purchase of historical materials whether it was the \$300 allocated annually in the early days of this century or the tens or hundreds of thousands expended from a host of funds in the more recent decades.

The History and Political Science Library was organized in 1911 as one of the six departmental libraries occupying the east front of Lincoln Hall. In 1928 it was moved to its present location in the Library Building. In the early 1960s the responsibility for collecting in political science was transferred to the newly organized Education and Social Science Library, and Philosophy was moved from Education to the History Library. In 1954, the Lincoln Room was established in a room inside the History and Philosophy Library.

C. Estimate of Holdings: 1,000,000 volumes.

D. State, Regional, and National Importance: Because of their magnitude, if for no other reason, the history collections of the University Library are a major national resource. This is especially so in areas such as Italian history, British history, Slavic and East European history, and American history after the colonial period. In addition, the collections are unusually rich in the history of the Old Northwest, and of Illinois and her favorite son Abraham Lincoln.

E. Unit Responsible for Collecting: The History and Philosophy Library has primary responsibility in virtually all fields and periods for titles published in Western languages. Many other units participate to one degree or another in the acquisition of materials for the history collections.

F. Location of Materials: Historical materials are to be found in virtually every departmental library in the University Library system, ranging from the history of a particular discipline to more general historical topics intended for general reference. The History and Philosophy Library contains approximately 17,000 volumes of historical works. This collection is intended to provide general reference and a selection of works representing different fields, periods, and styles and methodologies of historical research and writing. The History and Philosophy Library also maintains a large collection of current issues of major journals, some 400 titles. A large collection is housed in the Undergraduate Library. The Reference Room is the center for collecting major works of reference. Illinois state and local history is to be found primarily in the Illinois Historical Survey. The Bookstacks contain about 850,000 volumes of historical works.

G. Citations of Works Describing the Collection: None known except for major special collections.

Downs, p. 356.

Major, numerous descriptions.

II. GENERAL COLLECTION GUIDELINES

A. Languages: Standard statement.

B. Chronological Guidelines: No restrictions.

C. Geographical Guidelines: Worldwide.

D. Treatment of Subject: Standard statement. Historical material includes, but is not limited to: works by professional and amateur historians on subjects and events of the past or placing these subjects in a historical context; biographies of historical personages, autobiographies, diaries, memoirs and other papers of persons living or dead who played a historical, as distinct from literary, philosophical or scientific role in the past or present; other primary source works of persons, governments, political parties or other bodies; publications of associations, universities and/or learned societies dealing with historical topics.

Ancient history is the primary responsibility of the Classics Library, works published in Latin American countries are the primary responsibility of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies unit, Slavic and East European materials, Asian and African materials are the primary responsibilities of the pertinent units, and Afro-American, Women's, and Jewish Studies are the primary responsibilities of other bibliographers. Nevertheless, the History Librarian selects and acquires some selected works in all of these fields in Western languages.

E. Types of material: Standard statement.

F. Date of Publication: Standard statement.

G. Place of Publication: No restrictions, but publications of Western countries are emphasized for titles charged to the History Funds.

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

<u>SUBJECTS</u>	<u>ES</u>	<u>CL</u>	<u>DL</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>
ANCIENT HISTORY				
Classical Greece & Rome	4	3	4	CLASSICS/ history
The Near East	2	2	2	CLASSICS/ history
The Far East	3	3	3	HISTORY/ASIAN

<u>SUBJECTS</u>	<u>ES</u>	<u>CL</u>	<u>DL</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>
MEDIEVAL HISTORY				
Western Europe				
English	4	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
Russia				
English	3	2	3	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
Eastern Europe & Byzantine Empire				
Classical & Near Eastern languages	3	2	4	HISTORY/ classics
English & Western European languages	3	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
RENAISSANCE & REFORMATION				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
OTTOMAN EMPIRE				
English & Western European languages	2	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY				
Albania				
English & Western European languages	2	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	3	SLAVIC
Austria & Austro-Hungarian Empire				
English	4	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
Belgium & Netherlands				
English	3	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	2	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Bulgaria				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
Czechoslovakia				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
Finland				
English	3	3	3	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
France				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC

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Germany				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
Greece				
English	3	2	3	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	2	2	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Hungary				
English	4	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
Italy				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Poland				
English	3	3	3	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
Portugal				
English	2	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	2	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Scandinavia				
English	3	3	3	HISTORY
Scandinavian languages	3	2	3	HISTORY
Other Western European languages	2	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Spain				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Spanish	3	2	4	HISTORY
Other Western European languages	2	2	3	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Imperial Russia				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
U. S. S. R.				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	4	4	4	SLAVIC
GREAT BRITAIN HISTORY				
England/United Kingdom				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	3	3	3	SLAVIC
Ireland				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC

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Scotland				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Wales				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	2	4	HISTORY
Slavic & Eastern European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
NORTH AMERICAN HISTORY				
Canada				
English	3	3	4	HISTORY
French Canadian	1	2	3-4	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	3	3	HISTORY
United States				
Colonial Period				
English	3	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	4	4	HISTORY
Revolutionary War-1860				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Abraham Lincoln (see statement for Abraham Lincoln)	4	5	5	HISTORY
Civil War & Reconstruction				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Confederate Imprints	3	2	3	RARE BOOK & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS LIBRARY
Late nineteenth century/ Progressive Era				
English	4	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Twentieth Century				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Illinois History (see also the statement of the Illinois Historical Survey)				
English	4	4	4	ILLINOIS HISTORICAL SURVEY/ history
Western European languages	4	3	4	ILLINOIS HISTORICAL SURVEY/ history

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Mexico				
English	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Western European languages	4	3	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Latin American languages	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN
Caribbean Basin/Central America				
English	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Western European languages	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Latin American languages	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN
SOUTH AMERICAN HISTORY				
English	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Western European languages	3	3	4	LATIN AMERICAN/ history
Latin American languages	4	4	4	LATIN AMERICAN
ASIAN HISTORY				
Near/Middle East				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & East European languages	3	3	4	SLAVIC
Asian languages	3	3	4	ASIAN
South Asia (India & Pakistan)				
English	3	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	2	4	HISTORY
Slavic & East European languages	2	2	2	SLAVIC
Asian languages	2	2	2	ASIAN
East Asia				
English	3	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Slavic & East European languages	3	3	4	SLAVIC
Asian languages	3	3	4	ASIAN
AFRICAN HISTORY				
North Africa				
English	4	3	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Sub-Saharan				
English	4	3	4	AFRICA/history
Western European languages	3	3	4	AFRICA/history
Southern Africa				
English	2-3	2	3	AFRICA/history
Western European languages	2	2	3	AFRICA/history
AUSTRALIAN & OCEANIAN HISTORY				
Australia				
English	3	2	3	HISTORY
Western European languages	2	2	2	HISTORY

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Oceania				
English	2	2	2	HISTORY
Western European languages	1	1	2	HISTORY
Vernacular	1	1	1	ANTHROPOLOGY
HISTORIOGRAPHY				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Other languages	4	4	4	ASIAN/SLAVIC
HISTORICAL BIBLIOGRAPHY				
English	4	4	4	HISTORY
Western European languages	4	3	4	HISTORY
Other languages	4	4	4	ASIAN/SLAVIC
AUXILIARY STUDIES				
Genealogy. Genealogy <i>per se</i> is not collected, although materials of substantive interest to historians, political scientists, sociologists, etc., will be acquired on a highly selective basis.				
English & Western languages	1	1	1	HISTORY
Heraldry				
English & Western languages	2	2	2	HISTORY
Numismatics				
Classical numismatics	3	3	3	CLASSICS
Modern numismatics in Western languages	3	3	3	HISTORY
Paleography				
Classical paleography	3	2	2	CLASSICS
Non-classical paleography (Primarily medieval and Renaissance in Western languages)	3	3	4	HISTORY
Quantitative methodology as applied to history (historical demography, etc.)				
All languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Oral history & methodology				
All languages	3	3	4	HISTORY
Travel literature (guidebooks, etc.)	3	3	3	French/ geography/ German/ history/ Italian/ Portuguese/ reference/ Spanish/ undergraduate