



SUBJECT: Library Collections & Acquisitions Policy

1. Purpose

The Geoffrey R. Weller Library has a mandate to acquire library material to support the teaching, learning and research at UNBC. The ongoing collection development is closely aligned with the teaching and research programs of the University and will take into consideration the building of special and retrospective collections.

No university library is able to meet all the needs of a scholarly community. Part of the Geoffrey R.

3.2 Responsibility

Selection of material is carried out by selection librarians who are responsible for specific subject areas based on the University's teaching and research areas. Teaching faculty are encouraged to participate in the selection or deselection of resources. Suggestions for purchase are accepted from all Library users.

3.3 Broad selection criteria

Resources are selected based on the needs of the University and the needs of the community. The selection process is based on the needs of the University and the needs of the community. The selection process is based on the needs of the University and the needs of the community.

Approval by the selection librarian

The first preference of format for periodical subscriptions will be online; however, financial constraints will have an impact on the format decision.

Cancellations of periodical subscriptions may be required from time to time due to the changing needs of the academic programs and the inevitable rise in periodical subscription prices. Where possible, such cancellations will be done in consultation with the programs. However, where financial constraints dictate the need for cancellation, the Geoffrey R. Weller Library reserves the

Value of the specific title (literary, subject appeal, edition, authority or significance of author)
Availability of newer or better material in the field
Availability elsewhere
Cost of replacement
Format
Cost of hardware, software and ongoing support to access (where applicable)
Current and/or future needs

Responsibility for determining whether an item needs to be replaced lies with the selection librarian or archivist.

6.3 Conservation and/or preservation of physical items

Conservation and preservation activities may be performed on an item within the collection to maintain its physical condition. Criteria to determine whether an item may be preserved are:

Whether the library has the facilities required to perform the preservation/conservation activities
Cost of preservation/conservation activities

Responsibility for determining whether an item needs conservation/preservation activities performed on it will lie with the library staff under the direction of a librarian.