

## PSYCHOLOGY COLLECTION GUIDELINES

### I. Purpose and Program Description

#### A. Library's Collection Development Objectives

The primary purpose of the collection is to support teaching and research studies at the B.A. level in Psychology. The library also seeks to support graduate level work in interdisciplinary studies involving the social sciences.

#### B. Curricular Program Description

Courses are offered in the discipline that focuses upon behavior, criminal, cognitive, developmental, health and industrial psychology.

#### C. New and Expanding Areas of Interest

1. History of Psychology
2. Psychopharmacology

#### D. Areas of Specialization

1. Behavioral Analysis
2. Counseling
3. Abnormal Psychology
4. Health Psychology
5. Cognitive Psychology
6. Organizational Psychology

#### E. Overlap with Other Academic Disciplines and Library Collections

Education, Nursing, Sociology, Political Science.

### II. General Selection Guidelines

**A. Languages:** English is the primary language collected. Works in other languages may be acquired selectively and usually in English translation.

**B. Chronological Coverage:** Emphasis is upon current materials, but no period is excluded from consideration for the collection.

**C. Geographical Coverage:** Primary emphasis is upon art history generally, with special focus upon art in the non-western world, as well as graphic design elements from around the world.

**D. Types of Materials:** Includes encyclopedias, handbooks, directories, dictionaries, exhibit guides and catalogs, periodicals, bibliographies, biographies, illustrated works, monographs, and journals.

**E. Imprint Date:** Current-imprint publications receive priority. Selective retrospective publications are purchased in available formats as funding permits.

**F. Physical Format:** Hardback, paperback, serials, audiovisuals and computer software are collected. Electronic format materials are collected selectively.

**G. Treatment of Subject:** Scholarly materials are the primary emphasis for the collection.

**H. Place of Publication:** Primarily the United States. Imprints from other countries will be considered, however, primary emphasis will be placed on English language publications.

**I. Acquisition Plans Affecting English / English Literature:**

**1.) Standing Orders:** Due to budget reductions in the mid-1990s, all standing orders in all fields were cancelled.

**2.) Approval Plans:** None.

**J. Major Assessment / Selection Tools:** *Books for College Libraries*; *MLA*; Sheehy, Eugene P. *Guide to Reference Books*; Katz, Bill *Magazines for College Libraries*; *Choice Magazine*; *Booklist*; GOBI New Title Announcement Slips.

Assessments are conducted doing a comparison of the library holdings with those of the following peer institutions: Austin Peay State University (TPA), Columbus State University (GCO), Jacksonville State University (AJB), McNeese State University (LHA), Radford University (VRA), University of Louisiana-Monroe (LNE), University of North Alabama (ANO).

**K. Weeding / Replacement:** A major weeding was conducted in 2011 to remove damaged, superseded, out of date items, and those items which did not reflect the institutional curriculum. Following this, weeding has been kept to a minimum except to replace superseded, updated or damaged items. For damaged items, efforts will be made to replace those materials. Discussions between the library liaison for the area and the department will take place to determine if an electronic copy of the title will be an acceptable replacement.

**L. Classifications That Define the Scope of the Collection:**

BF 1-990	Psychology
BF 38-64	Philosophy. Relation to Other Topics
BF 173-175.5	Psychoanalysis
BF 176-176.5	Psychological Tests and Testing
BF 180-198.7	Experimental Psychology
BF 203	Gestalt Psychology
BF 207-209	Psychotropic Drugs and Other Substances
BF 231-299	Sensation. Aesthesiology
BF 309-499	Consciousness. Cognition. (Including learning, comprehension, memory, attention, imagination, genius, intelligence, thought & thinking, psycholinguistics, mental fatigue)
BF 501-505	Motivation
BF 511-593	Affection. Feeling. Emotion.
BF 608-635	Will. Volition. Choice. Control.
BF 636-637	Applied Psychology

BF 638-648	New Thought. Menticulture.
BF 660-685	Comparative Psychology. Animal & Human Psychology
BF 692-692.5	Psychology of Sex. Sexual Behavior
BF 697-697.5	Differential Psychology. Individuality. Self.
BF 698-698.9	Personality
BF 699-711	Genetic Psychology
BF 712-724.85	Developmental Psychology. (Incl. infant, child, adolescence, adult)
BF 725-727	Class Psychology
BF 795-839	Temperament. Character
BF 839.8-885	Physiognomy. Phrenology.
BF 889-905	Graphology. Study of Handwriting
BF 908-940	The Hand. Palmistry.
BF 1001-1389	Parapsychology
BF 1001-1045	Psychic Research. Psychology of the Conscious
BF 1048-1108	Hallucinations. Sleep. Dreaming. Visions.
BF 1111-1156	Hypnotism. Suggestions. Mesmerism. Subliminal Suggestions.
BF 1161-1171	Telepathy. Mind Reading. Thought Transference.
BF 1228-1389	Spiritualism.
BF 1404-2055	Occult Sciences
BF 1444-1486	Ghosts. Apparitions. Hauntings.
BF 1501-1562	Demonology. Satanism. Possession
BF 1562.5-1584	Witchcraft
BF 1585-1623	Magic. Hermetics. Necromancy.
BF 1651-1729	Astrology
BF 1745-1779	Oracles. Sibyls. Divinations.
BF 1783-1815	Seers. Prophets. Prophecies.
BF 1845-1891	Fortune-Telling
BF 2050-2055	Human-Alien Encounters. Contact with Extraterrestrials.
LB 1050.9-1091	Educational Psychology
RC 435-571	Psychiatry
RC 475-489	Therapeutics. Psychotherapy.
RC 490-499	Hypnotism & Hypnosis. Suggestion Therapy.
RC 500-510	Psychoanalysis
RC 512-569.5	Psychopathology
RC 512-528	Psychoses
RC 530-552	Neuroses
RC 554-569.5	Personality Disorders. Behavior Problems. (Incl. Sexual problems, drug abuse, suicide, child abuse)

**Library Liaison:** Best

**SUBJECT:** Psychology

COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY STATEMENT: CLASSED ANALYSIS

LC Class	Descriptor	Existing Strength	Desired Strength
BF 1-990	Psychology	3b	3b
BF 38-64	Philosophy. Relation to Other Topics	3b	3b
BF 173-175.5	Psychoanalysis	3a	3a
BF 176-176.5	Psychological Tests and Testing	3a	3b
BF 180-198.7	Experimental Psychology	2a	2b
BF 203	Gestalt Psychology	2a	2b
BF 207-209	Psychotropic Drugs and Other Substances	2a	2b
BF 231-299	Sensation. Aesthesiology	2a	2b
BF 309-499	Consciousness. Cognition.	3b	3b
BF 501-505	Motivation	2b	3a
BF 511-593	Affection. Feeling. Emotion.	3a	3a
BF 608-635	Will. Volition. Choice. Control.	3b	3b
BF 636-637	Applied Psychology	3b	3b
BF 638-648	New Thought. Menticulture.	2a	2b
BF 660-685	Comparative Psychology. Animal & Human Psychology	2b	3a
BF 692-692.5	Psychology of Sex. Sexual Behavior	2b	3b
BF 697-697.5	Differential Psychology. Individuality. Self.	2b	3a
BF 698-698.9	Personality	2b	3a
BF 699-711	Genetic Psychology	3a	3b
BF 712-724.85	Developmental Psychology.	3a	3b
BF 725-727	Class Psychology	2b	3a
BF 795-839	Temperament. Character	3b	3b
BF 839.8-885	Physiognomy. Phrenology.	3a	3a
BF 889-905	Graphology. Study of Handwriting	1b	2b
BF 908-940	The Hand. Palmistry.	1b	2a
BF 1001-1389	Parapsychology	2a	2b
BF 1001-1045	Psychic Research. Psychology of the Conscious	1a	1a
BF 1048-1108	Hallucinations. Sleep. Dreaming. Visions.	3b	3b
BF 1111-1156	Hypnotism. Suggestions. Mesmerism. Subliminal Suggestions.	2b	2b
BF 1161-1171	Telepathy. Mind Reading. Thought Transference.	1b	2a
BF 1228-1389	Spiritualism.	1b	2a
BF 1404-2055	Occult Sciences	0	0
BF 1444-1486	Ghosts. Apparitions. Hauntings.	2b	3a
BF 1501-1562	Demonology. Satanism. Possession	2b	2b

BF 1562.5-1584	Witchcraft	2b	3b
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