COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT STATEMENT

HUMANITIES (FUND 34226)  
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***Overview***

The Interdisciplinary Humanities program is part of the Department of Comparative Arts and Letters in the College of Humanities. It is taught as both a general academic category (inclusive of literature, art, music, history, and philosophy) and as a discipline in its own right with a methodology for dealing with interrelationships between the various arts, and even with the social sciences and science. Bachelor of Arts degrees are offered in the program. Students can also pursue a minor in Digital Humanities & Technology. Additional funds cover specific disciplines in literature (34227, 34228, 34229), linguistics (34220), languages (34222, 34223, 34224, 34235), art history (34215), music (34221), and philosophy (34126). Fund 34226 covers resources of a broad, interdisciplinary nature.

The library seeks to support research and teaching through targeted acquisitions, both of new and retrospective materials. Relevance and potential use for teaching and/or research are paramount, and a further factor is the quality of scholarship and presentation. For books, both print and digital formats are collected; where there is a choice, the default is for an e-book.

***Degree Programs and Collecting Levels***

* Bachelor of Arts degree in Interdisciplinary Humanities: Teaching Level
* Minor in Digital Humanities and Technology: Teaching Level

***Departments/Disciplines/Programs/Subject Areas***

The humanities collections also support the interest of the following departments and programs:

* Area Studies
* Art & Art History
* Comparative Arts & Letters
* English
* English Language & Linguistics
* Music & Dance
* Theatre & Media Arts
* Women’s Studies

***Annual Collection Reports***

**2016**

* **Liaison actions pertaining to collections**
* Expansion of collection in digital humanities

**2015**

* **Liaison actions pertaining to collections**
  + Acquisition of offline copy of Eighteenth Century Collections Online for text mining purposes (English Literature & Language Librarian)