Georgia State University Library
Collection Development Policy
Neuroscience Institute

Purpose of the Collection: To support the curricular and research needs of faculty and students in the Neuroscience Institute. The Institute is an organization of core and affiliated faculty from the departments of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics and Astronomy, Mathematics and Statistics, Philosophy, and Psychology. Core faculty, and the Institute’s partnerships with their home departments, provide the Institute with a diverse, interdisciplinary perspective to its research and educational programs. Degrees offered include the Bachelor of Neuroscience, dual Bachelor of Science/Master of Science in Neuroscience, Master of Science in Neuroscience (en route to the Ph.D.), and Ph.D. in Neuroscience. The Neuroscience Institute serves as the administrative home for the Brains and Behavior Area of Focus, which supports graduate students in the affiliate departments and the Institute’s Graduate Program.

General Collection Guidelines:

a. Languages: English is the primary language of the collection.

b. Chronological Guidelines: Current scholarship is the primary focus.

c. Geographic Guidelines: No restrictions.

d. Dates of Publication: Emphasis is on current imprints. Retrospective classic or standard works not already in the collection are collected selectively.

e. Types of Materials: Monographs and periodicals as well as electronic resources are of primary importance. Additional materials include, encyclopedias, directories, handbooks, databases, documents, and reports of conferences, congresses, and societies. Some audiovisual material such as CDs, and DVDs related to curricular needs are selectively purchased.

f. Treatment of the Subject: The collection provides research level support for the areas of concentration covered by the Institute, including, but not limited to, cognitive neuroscience, computational and dynamical systems, developmental neuroscience, neural basis of behavior, neural circuits, neuroendocrinology and neuroimmunology, neurogenomics, neurophilosophy, and neuroethics.

Related Collection Development Policies:
• Biology
• Chemistry
• Computer Science
• Math and Statistics
• Philosophy
• Physics and Astronomy
• Psychology
• Religious Studies

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