



**Georgia State University Library  
Collection Development Policy  
Department of Economics**

**Purpose of the Collection:** To support the curricular and research needs of faculty and students in the Department of Economics in the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. Undergraduate degrees offered by the Department include the Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics, Bachelor of Science in Economics, and Bachelor of Arts in International Economics and Modern Languages. Beginning in Fall 2017, the Department will offer an optional undergraduate concentration in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE), which will make use of the analytical tools of all three disciplines to promote thought about moral, social, political, and economic issues. Graduate degrees offered by the Department include the Master of Arts and Ph.D. in Economics. Areas of focus at the master's level include economic theories as they apply to the environment, education, economic development, healthcare, public finance, and social welfare. Areas of focus at the Ph.D. level include environmental, experimental, labor/health, and urban and regional economics.

**General Collection Guidelines:**

- a. **Languages:** English is the primary language of the collection; works in French, German, Spanish and Arabic may be collected.
- b. **Chronological Guidelines:** The major emphasis is on current issues and research, but classical works about economics in earlier periods may be ordered to fill gaps in the collection.
- c. **Geographical Guidelines:** The primary focus is on the United States. Other areas of significance (in approximate order of importance) are Europe, Asia, Latin America, the Middle East, and Africa.
- d. **Date of Publication:** Emphasis is on current materials. Retrospective classic or standard works not already in the collection are selectively collected.
- e. **Types of Material:** Monographs and periodicals are of primary importance. Encyclopedias, dictionaries, atlases, directories, proceedings of conferences and congresses, transactions and reports of societies, statistical publications of the United States government, the United Nations, and statistical yearbooks from other countries are selectively acquired.

f. **Treatment of the Subject:** Research and graduate materials for the concentrations covered by the Department are the main focus. Maintaining a strong undergraduate collection is encouraged. Histories of economics are important; biographies of seminal thinkers are selectively acquired.

**Related Collection Development Policies:**

- Global Studies (Middle Eastern economies)
- Health Administration
- History (labor and economic history)
- International Business (international economics and trade)
- Management (labor and industrial economics)
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Public Management and Policy (urban economics)
- Sociology
- World Languages and Cultures

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