



**Georgia State University Library
Collection Development Policy
School of Nursing**

Purpose of the Collection: To support the curricular and research needs of faculty and students in the School of Nursing. The School offers courses of study leading to the Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, Doctor of Nursing Practice, and Doctor of Nursing.

General Collection Guidelines:

- a. **Languages:** English is the primary language of collection. Works written in other languages are purchased only in English translation.
- b. **Chronological Guidelines:** Primary emphasis is on current research and practice.
- c. **Geographical Guidelines:** Emphasis is on materials relating to the United States. Other areas of interest include Canada, Great Britain, and Australia.
- d. **Date of Publication:** Current imprints are the primary focus. Retrospective classic or standard works not already in the collection are selectively collected.
- e. **Types of Materials:** Periodicals are of primary importance, but monographs are also collected. Proceedings of conferences/congresses, etc. are not very heavily used. There is some interest in popular level materials, both for patient education and for undergraduate use. Audio-visual materials, computer-aided-instruction and interactive media are of interest.
- f. **Treatment of the Subject:** Nursing theory and theorists, research methodology, and works on evidenced based practice are of great interest. The history of nursing is selectively purchased. There is some selective purchase of upper-level textbooks.

Related Collection Development Policies:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Gerontology
- Kinesiology and Health
- Nutrition
- Physical Therapy

- Psychology
- Public Health

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