



**Georgia State University Library  
Collection Development Policy  
Department of Public Administration**

**Purpose of the Collection:** To support the curricular and research needs of faculty and students in the Department of Public Management and Policy in the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies. The Department offers courses of study leading to the Bachelor of Science in Public Policy, Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Entrepreneurship (in conjunction with the J. Mack Robinson College of Business), Master of Public Administration, Master of Public Policy, combined Master of Public Administration/Juris Doctor, and Ph.D. in Public Policy. Areas of focus at the Ph.D. level include policy analysis and program evaluation, public budgeting and finance, and public and nonprofit management. Students can also choose to focus on the areas of health, education, economic development, social policy, and disaster management. Graduate Certificate programs are also offered in disaster management, nonprofit management, and planning and economic development.

**General Collection Guidelines:**

- a. **Languages:** English is the primary language of the collection.
- b. **Chronological Guidelines:** The primary emphasis is on current issues and research, but some historical works may be collected in consultation with the faculty.
- c. **Geographical Guidelines:** The main emphasis is on the United States, especially the Southeast. Material on Georgia cities, especially Atlanta, and on cities and counties throughout the country with a population of 500,000 to 2,000,000 are ordered extensively.
- d. **Dates of Publication:** Emphasis is placed on current materials.
- e. **Types of Materials:** Monographs and periodicals form the basis of the collection. Special reports and studies of planning and development commissions and of local, state, and national government agencies are important, as are publications of professional organizations, such as the American Society for Public Administration, the International City Management Association, and the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration.
- f. **Treatment of the Subject:** The collection provides research level support for the concentrations covered by the Department. These areas include, but are not limited to, local government, public management, public budgeting and finance, nonprofit

management, urban and regional planning, disaster management, homeland security, and research administration.

**Related Collection Development Policies:**

- Criminal Justice
- Economics
- Finance
- Health Administration
- Management
- Political Science
- Public Health

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