



**Georgia State University Library  
Collection Development Policy  
Department of Respiratory Therapy**

**Purpose of the Collection:** To support the curricular and research needs of faculty and students in the Department of Respiratory Therapy. The Department offers courses of study leading to the Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy, Master in Health Sciences, and a Bridge program (A.S. to B.S. program) for those with an Associate Degree in Respiratory Therapy and who are eligible for the Registered Respiratory of Therapy Credential. The program provides classroom study with observation, clinical experience, independent study, and seminars.

**General Collection Guidelines:**

- a. **Languages:** Only materials in English are collected.
- b. **Chronological Guidelines:** The emphasis is on current information and research.
- c. **Geographical Guidelines:** No limit is placed on the geographic scope of materials.
- d. **Date of Publication:** Emphasis is placed on current materials. Retrospective classic or standard works not already in the collection are selectively collected.
- e. **Types of Materials:** Periodicals are of primary importance. Monographs, electronic resources and treatises, proceedings and/or transactions of conferences, congresses, and symposia, compendia and data collections are also acquired. Some audio-visual materials are acquired. Textbooks are selectively collected.
- f. **Treatment of the Subject:** Research and graduate materials are the primary focus. Consideration to maintaining a strong undergraduate collection is encouraged.

**Related Collection Development Policies:**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Gerontology
- Nursing
- Public Health

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