Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Collection Development Policy

Purpose

The collection supports present and anticipated teaching and research in the field of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism (HRT) and its sub-disciplines. Materials are primarily purchased based on the requests of the HRT faculty.

The department offers two degrees:

- B.S. in Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Administration
- M.S. in Hospitality and Tourism Management

More information about the Department or the Program can be found here. The various concentrations offered in the HRT program can be found here. In addition to the support for the specific degree program of the Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Department, the collection also serves as a resource for undergraduate and graduate students and faculty in the other business disciplines. Related departments and programs, which cover subjects of interest to Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism, include Economics and Finance, Management, Marketing, and Accounting.

Language

The language of acquisition is English.

Chronological Guidelines

The primary focus of the collection is the research and studies of the last ten years.

Geographical Guidelines

Because of the international nature of the hotel, restaurant and tourism industries, all geographical regions are acceptable for acquisition.

Treatment of Subject

Works dealing with practice and methods and management and administration are of prime importance. Also collected are works dealing with the role of government.
Histories are of less importance, but in some areas, such as histories of large hotels, they are acquired. Biographies of prominent business leaders are also acquired. Works dealing with legal aspects are selectively acquired.

Textbooks are acquired on a selective basis.

**Types of Material**

Monographs and serial publications form the basis for acquisitions. Reference materials, including bibliographies, dictionaries, handbooks, and encyclopedias are acquired. Abstracts and indexes covering hospitality industry topics and related subjects are acquired. Law materials including court decisions, digests, citators, and regulations and rulings are acquired.

Publications of U.S. government agencies are acquired through the U.S. Federal Depository Program. Publications of the European Community are acquired through the EC depository program. Other international documents are selectively acquired through the United Nations, the O.E.C.D., and other international organizations.

Publications and proceedings of national and international organizations and societies are selectively acquired.

**Date of Publication**

Emphasis is on materials published within the past ten years. Current materials are most important. Retrospective materials may be selectively acquired and may be purchased in microform formats, such as backfiles of newly acquired serial titles.

**Other Resources**

The Government Documents collection within the University Library is a source of much material that supports the programs of the HRT Department. Especially important are publications of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Bureau of the Census, and the reports and regulations of the federal government's agencies. The Louisiana Collection contains state documents and other materials dealing with Louisiana that are important to the Department.

**Related Policy Statements**

Other information related to Hotels, Restaurants and Tourism will be found in the following policy statements:

- Accounting: financial accounting

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• Computer Science: programming
• Management: human resource management, operations management, management information systems, production management