Statement of Purpose and Library Needs:

Anthropology is the comparative and global study of humanity. Bio-cultural diversity and the universals link all humans are the principle foci of anthropological research. Anthropology is a holistic discipline comprising into the following sub fields: cultural (ethnology); physical (biological); archaeology; and linguistics. Contemporary anthropology is concerned with the generation of basic knowledge and the application of knowledge to the solution of human problems. The USF Department of Anthropology particularly emphasizes application, while recognizing that basic and applied research are inextricably linked.

The Department of Anthropology is strategically placed to make major contributions to the University of South Florida’s growth as a Research I Institution by providing:

1. Bio-cultural analyses of health and illness, systems of care and their equitable distribution;
2. Socio-cultural understandings of barriers to the effective and just integration of immigrant, migrant and marginalized populations;
3. Ethno-historical contributions to complex discussions of race, ethnicity, and history in contemporary urban problems;
4. Applied archaeological insight of the prehistory of Florida, the Caribbean region and the world;
5. Historical and contemporary studies of Latin America and the Caribbean.

Anthropology is the only USF department to combine biological, cultural, linguistic, and archaeological expertise for the identification and understanding of contemporary human problems such as the role of race and ethnicity in housing policies, cultural identity and infectious diseases like HIV/AIDS, nutritional patterns of immigrant populations, and the social construction of identity among historic and contemporary Florida populations. In addition to supporting the university’s community-based goals, emphasis on International Affairs and USF’s Diversity Initiative, the Anthropology department strengthens the University’s Research I goals through the National Science Foundation-funded research in diabetes and medical anthropology, and lithic analysis in archaeology, and the research of genetics in sickle-cell anemia, technology transfer among rural Florida populations, Florida children’s welfare advocacy, long-term research among mentally retarded adults, comparative health systems research in the Caribbean, and the effect of globalization processes on the spread of infectious and communicable diseases. They also conduct nationally recognized research on urban life, health and housing.

The Department of Anthropology grants a B.A. in Anthropology, MA in Applied Anthropology, MA in Public Archaeology, Dual degrees in Anthropology & Public Health MA/MPH), PhD in Applied Anthropology, and a PhD in Archaeology. In addition, the department has created two curricular areas identified as:

1) applied medical anthropology and
2) the Caribbean.

Each of these concentrations are linked to program needs in the university such those in the College of Public Health by supplying courses like health and illness, AIDS/HIV and
community health, biological anthropology, forensic anthropology, international health, social epidemiology, nutritional anthropology and comparative health systems research. The Caribbean concentration provides support to the Africana Studies Department, and to the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program by offering courses such as The Caribbean, Gender and Labor, and Mexico and Central America. Both concentrations strengthen the university’s ability to provide courses relevant to the Caribbean Diaspora as it is played out in the local, regional and international arenas.

The libraries collections support the teaching and research needs of faculty and students in Anthropology. The primary responsibility for the selection of materials for this diverse department rests with the CD librarian and the Anthropology Departments library liaison who work closely on the selection of materials. Because of the dual program, the CD Librarian also reviews materials in the area of public health in co-operation with the CD Librarian for Public Health for the USF Shimberg Health Sciences Library.

I. Collection Guidelines

A. Areas: Anthropology and Archaeology

B. Classes and Levels

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3a= Basic study or instructional support level. Supports lower division undergraduate courses.
3b= Intermediate study or instructional support level. Supports advanced undergraduate course work but not MA degree programs.
3c= Advanced study or instructional support level. Supports MA degree level.
4= Research level. Supports PhD level programs and other original research.

C. Scope Of Coverage:

1. Chronological Guidelines

   No restrictions. Materials dealing with all chronological periods are collected.

2. Geographical Guidelines
Primary emphasis includes the United States, the Caribbean, Latin America, and Africa. Pre-historic regions with archaeological interest are also included.

3. Date of Publication Guidelines

Emphasis is on collecting current publication. Older imprints are acquired selectively.

4. Language Guidelines

Primary language collected is English. Materials in other languages are collected selectively.

D. Types of Materials Collected:

1. Format

Monographs, serials, dissertations, audiovisual materials, and electronic resources available through the USF Libraries online catalog or other online databases. Journals are collected in electronic format, print, or microfiche. Full text electronic journals are preferred over other formats. Monographs are primarily collected in electronic format. Print monographs will be purchased if the electronic format is not available or if a request specifically asks for the title in print.

II. Acquisitions Strategy

Anthropology, archaeology and related materials are selected by the Collections Development Librarian assigned to the Anthropology works in partnership with the departmental faculty to select materials for the collection. The library participates in a patron-driven acquisitions program that provides access to eBooks from most of the trade and professional presses that are of interest to the department. Titles are accessible through the online catalog for short-term loan or auto-purchase (depending upon the number of times the titles are loaned). Other titles, not covered by the PDA program, can be ordered by submitting a request to Acquisitions.

New journal titles may be ordered by canceling current subscriptions in the same subject area. Full text electronic journals are preferred over other formats. Since funding for new subscriptions are limited, access to the Interlibrary Services department handles materials not owned by the library. Electronic backfiles of journals may be ordered, when the need can be documented, and if funding is available.

The library occasionally receives donations of new and used materials, in all formats, from various sources, including faculty, students, and community members. These materials may be accepted for consideration for possible inclusion in the general collection by the USF Tampa Library’s Academic Resources Collection Management Section. Materials are accepted with the understanding that all items received will be reviewed by Collection Development librarians, who will make a determination regarding the suitability for addition to the existing research collections.
III. Collection Notes

While monographs and periodicals make up the bulk of the materials collected for Anthropology, there has been a concerted effort to collect and utilize audiovisual resources.

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