

Policy III.3002.A, Library Collection Development

Purpose

The libraries will build and maintain a quality collection of both current and relevant print and on-line resources to support the mission of San Jacinto College.

Policy

The library collection includes:

- Printed material (book and periodicals)
- Online periodical databases and material that support specific curricula
- DVDs or streaming media
- Other appropriate material to support the curriculum as it becomes needed or available

The library collection policy governs the procedures to develop, with faculty assistance, a collection that serves each discipline taught on the campuses. Selection of materials including books, periodicals, and electronic resources will be based on the following criteria:

- Items most likely to be used by students in the current academic and technical programs.
- General reference works and other resources necessary to meet the library's overall purpose.
- Materials which present conflicting viewpoints of political and social matters and reflect the cultural diversity of the student body, recognizing that it is impossible to represent every point of view.

The governance of the Library collection development policy is based in part on the Library Bill of Rights statement of the American Library Association.

The Authority, Applicability, Sanctions, Exclusions, and Interpretation do not differ from Policy II.2000.A, Policy and Procedures Development, Review, Revision, and Rescission.

Associated Procedures

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Secondary Owner	Provosts