

# **Departmental Policy Statement: History**

## **College of Arts & Sciences**

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### ***Curriculum***

The Department of History offers degrees at the undergraduate (BA), masters (MA), and doctorate (PhD) levels, with specialization in U.S. (especially African American) history and European history, with offerings in Asian, Latin American, Russian, and African history. There is also an interdisciplinary concentration in Ancient Egyptian history.

### ***Purpose and Scope of the Collection***

The History programs are designed to provide broad knowledge across multiple fields of interest. In order to support these teaching and research needs, the major areas of collecting include ancient history, medieval history, modern history, history of Europe and Asia, history of Africa, and history of the United States (including Tennessee history). Because of the cross-disciplinary nature of history, several other areas of collection within the library also support the subject area. Some of the significant collaborations are listed below.

### ***Cooperative Agreements***

None specified.

### ***Geographical Coverage***

Not applicable.

### ***Period Coverage/Date of Publication Range***

Primary emphasis is on contemporary materials.

### ***Languages***

The primary language is English. Materials in other languages are acquired selectively.

### ***Types of Materials***

Monographs:

Major university presses and higher education associations.

Serials/Series:

Professional journals, newspapers, indexes and abstracts, bibliographies, and statistical resources.

Reference materials:

Encyclopedias, dictionaries, maps & atlases, indexes, and bibliographies.

Electronic Resources:

HarpWeek; JSTOR; Project Muse; PAIS

Microforms:

Research collections in microforms are purchased when deemed relevant.

Audio/Visual:

Video and audio materials are acquired when relevant to the curriculum.

### ***Location of Materials Collection***

History resources are primarily located in the regular circulating collection at McWherter Library, the main facility on campus at the University of Memphis.

### ***Special Collections***

None specified.

**Subject Areas by LC Classification**

B	Philosophy; Psychology; Religion
D	History (general); History of Europe
E – F	History of America
G	Geography; Anthropology
HM – HX	Sociology
J	Political science
K	Law
Z1201 – Z8999	Subject-related Bibliography

**Related Areas of Collection**

Political Science	Sociology	Anthropology	English
Psychology	University College	Earth Sciences	Philosophy