



Book	Board Policy
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Selection of library materials is a most important responsibility; therefore, regulations which are approved by the Board are to be incorporated in the faculty handbook.

1. It is the joint responsibility of the library and teaching faculty to select materials that will best meet the teaching and learning mission of the Colleges. As subject experts, the teaching faculty are responsible for the selection of print and non-print materials in their subject areas. In addition, they are encouraged to suggest materials for the development of the entire collection. The library faculty are responsible for the selection of the reference and general materials and for maintaining a balance between various subject areas and between standard and current works.
2. Materials added to the collection, either by purchase or by gift, shall contribute to the instructional program of the Colleges and aim at the development of factual knowledge, critical thinking, objective evaluations, aesthetic appreciation and ethical standards in the students.
3. Materials dealing with controversial topics shall not be eliminated because they are controversial.
4. The administration in consultation with the librarians shall establish procedures whereby library material that is questioned for its appropriateness in the library will be reviewed.

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