

**HOUSTON COLE LIBRARY: General Works
Assessment**

Division: General Works

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Library Resources: Print, Audio-Visual, & Electronic	Number of Titles	Access Via
Print Holdings	General Works: Library Classification (LC) A-AZ - 9763	Located under the call number A - AZ. All print holdings can be searched via JaxCat at: http://jaxcat.jsu.edu/
Electronic Journals & Indexes	General Work includes multiple disciplines and subtopics. The number of electronic journals covering the subjects is continuously changing and retrieving specific numbers would not be accurate. EBSCOHost, Gale Databases, and Proquest are electronic indexes that include journals on the subject of General Works/General References as well as its multiple disciplines.	Access via EBSCO A to Z at this link: https://atoz.ebsco.com/Subjects/1139#26211

Expenditures: General Works

*Fiscal statistics for Auxiliary Sciences and General Works are combined. Expenditures for aggregator databases are applied toward a 'general' fund code since, by nature, aggregated products encompass a wide range of disciplines. The expenditures noted here do not reflect purchases only classed in C-CT and A-AZ.

Fiscal Year	Books
2007 - 2008	\$2,035.34
2008 - 2009	\$3,886.55
2009 - 2010	\$2,142.28
2010 - 2011	\$2,139.45
2011 - 2012	\$9,483.97
2012 - 2013	\$10,583.48

Fiscal Year	Serials
2007 - 2008	\$75,925.22
2008 - 2009	\$117,527.87
2009 - 2010	\$159,276.90
2010 - 2011	\$158,026.88
2011 - 2012	\$164,274.60
2012 - 2013	\$31,001.80 (not complete)

Titles Added Call Number A - AZ

2007 – 2008	2
2008 – 2009	7
2009 – 2010	3
2010 – 2011	4
2011 – 2012	7
2012 – 2013	10

Number of Titles Withdrawn Call Number A - AZ

2006 – 2007	1
2007 – 2008	52
2008 – 2009	81
2009 – 2010	0
2010 – 2011	3
2011 – 2012	0
2012 - 2013	0
TOTAL	137

General Works Collections: Quantitative Analysis (Subject term: General Reference Works)

Bibliography Title	Number of Listed Titles	Number of Titles Held	Percentage
American Reference Books Annual, 2006 ed.	62	12	19.40%
American Reference Books Annual, 2007 ed.	48	7	14.58%
American Reference Books Annual, 2008 ed.	54	7	13%
American Reference Books Annual, 2009 ed	52	8	15.40%
American Reference Books Annual, 2010 ed	43	4	9.30%
American Reference Books Annual, 2011 ed.	49	17	34.70%
American Reference Books Annual, 2012 ed	60	13	21.67%
American Reference Books Annual, 2013 ed.	53	4	7.55%
Total	421	72	17.10%
Choices' Outstanding Academic Titles 2007-2011	46	14	30.43%
Reference Sources for Small and Medium-Size Libraries 2009	74	31	42%

(Subject term: General Reference Works)

Bibliography Title	Number of Listed Titles	Number of Titles Held	Percentage
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2006	30	9	30%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2007	26	6	23%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2008	28	2	7%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2009	23	4	18%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2010	22	2	10%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2011	22	1	5%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2012	25	7	28%
Recommended Reference Books for Small and Medium-sized Libraries and Media Centers 2013	27	7	26%
Total	203	38	19%

HOUSTON COLE LIBRARY: Auxiliary Sciences of History

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LC CLASS	DIVISIONS and CATEGORIES*	Number of titles	COLLECTION & LANGUAGE CODES **				COMMENTS
			CL	AC	GL	P C	
A-AZ minus AS-AS9999	General Works	9,763	3c	3c	3c	2	General Reference A-AZ strong and supportive
AC	Collections	691	3c	3a	3a	2	Solid collection of various sub-topics
AE	Encyclopedias	68	3c	3b	3b	2	Electronic references
AG	Dictionaries; General Reference	198	3c	3c	3c	2	Subject dictionaries available throughout the library
AI	Indexes	82	3c	3c	3c	2	Primary indexes are electronic; print are current
AP	Periodicals	2561	3c	3c	3c	2	Popular reading is well organized and current
AS-AS9999	Academies & Learned Societies	5981	3a	3a	3a	2	Strong supportive material
AY	Yearbooks, Almanacs, Directories	36	3a	3a	3a	2	Preserve collection
AZ	History of Scholarship & Learning	146	3b	3c	3c	2	Continue to develop

* Divisions and Categories: from *LC Classification Outline* Seventh Edition, 2003, pp116-121.

**Collection & Language Codes explanation:

CL= Current Collection; **AC**= Acquisitions Commitment; **GL**= Collection Goal; **PC**= Preservation Commitment

2a: Basic information level, introductory; **2b**: Basic information level, advanced; **3a**: Basic Study or Instructional Support Level;

P: Primary (English) language of the country predominates-little or no other-language material

Preservation Commitment indicator **2**: Physical Preservation Level. Material is retained for its useful life. Some cleaning and mending may be used to repair damage from normal use.

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**Peer Institution Comparison Table
(Institutions used based on student population 6,000-12,000)**

OCLC Code *	Library Name	Approximate Student Enrollment	General Works Book Collection*
AJB	Jacksonville State University, AL	8,319	51
LNE	University of Louisiana at Monroe, LA	7,243	376
NCX	North Carolina Central University, NC	8,300	45
LNW	Northwestern State University of Louisiana, LA	8,643	16
TTU	Tennessee Technological University, TN	9,920	178
FWA	The University of West Florida, FL	9,826	368
ANO	University of North Alabama	6,120	187
KMS	Murray State University, KY	10,832	21

* OCLC Code: WorldCat used to search subject.