

Iowa State University Library  
Collection Development Policies  
Community and Regional Planning

## **I. General Purpose**

To provide library resources for undergraduate and graduate instruction as well as student and faculty research. Urban and regional planning is a systematic, creative approach to influence and manage the social, economic and physical change of neighborhoods, small towns, cities, suburbs, metropolitan areas, regions, and states.

## **II. History**

The Department of Community and Regional Planning was initiated in 1978 with the establishment of the new College of Design, yet its history goes back to the 1920s. The Landscape Architecture faculty, then part of the College of Agriculture, began offering courses in city planning in 1921 and regional planning in 1934. The Master of Science in Town Planning was initiated in 1947 and the Bachelor of Science in Urban Planning twenty years later. It is administered in conjunction with the Landscape Architecture program.

## **III. Iowa State University Program**

The Community and Regional Planning Department blends several disciplines including engineering, law, architecture, landscape architecture, economics, geography, and sociology in its goal to develop educated planners that can cope with the challenges facing communities today and in the future. An undergraduate bachelor of science degree is offered as well as a masters degree with areas of concentration in housing and social planning, community economic development, transportation and land use, and environmental planning and design. Double master's degree programs exist with architecture, business, landscape architecture, and public administration.

## **IV. Subject Boundaries**

### **General Collection Guidelines**

#### **A. Linguistic.**

English is the primary language for acquisitions.

#### **B. Geographical Areas.**

Emphasis on the United States and Europe, with selected purchases for other parts of the world.

C. Types of Materials Collected.

Monographs, journals, conference proceedings, and reports primary type of materials collected.

D. Format of Materials Collected

Paper is dominant format supplemented by selective purchases of microformats, video, and electronic resources.

**VI. Specific Collection Guidelines**

**VII. Detailed Subject Areas**

**VIII. Other Resources Available**

**IX. Cross-references to Collection Policies**

**X. Creation date**

June 2000

**XI. Revision History**

Revised November 18, 2005

**XII. LC Class(es), if applicable.**

Library of Congress classes HT 100-400 and NA9000 are the most prominent, but appropriate parts of other areas will be considered including--but not limited to--D, E, and NA.

**XIII. Bibliographer name**

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