

Pop Lit Collection Development Policy
Florida State University Libraries
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The FSU Libraries maintain a small popular literature collection, primarily funded through the FSU Student Government Association (SGA) to purchase popular titles for the student body. FSU Libraries also receives funding from the [FSU President's Diversity & Inclusion Mini-Grant Grant Program](#). Materials can be found in the Pop Lit section next to Starbucks on the first floor of Strozier Library.

General Collection Guidelines

This collection offers a wide variety of genres including:

- Biographies, business, graphic novels, history, politics, literary fiction, mystery, romance, science, science fiction and fantasy, self-help/psychology, suspense/horror, travel, and true crime.

The collection reflects the reading interests of our primary demographic, FSU college students. Bestsellers in literature can sometimes be found in the FSU Libraries' general collection. Selection for this collection is limited due to funding and physical space.

Formats

Print (physical books)
Media (DVD)

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The FSU Libraries collections include materials that represent diverse voices and viewpoints. Please see our [Collection Development Values Statement on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion](#) for additional information.

Collection Practices

Selectors use several factors to determine additions to the collection including:

- Recommendations from readers
- Popular reading lists (like Goodreads)
- Knowledge of genre and popular culture trends in reading

Deaccessing

Committee Coordinators will institute a semesterly review of the Pop Lit Collection. Reviewing for space issues, physical condition of materials, and outdated/inaccurate/irrelevant materials. Based on observations of review, Committee Coordinators may institute ongoing or systematic weeding. Committee members will deaccession (remove) books from the collection that are older than 10 years old and have low check out rates.

Donated Materials

The FSU Libraries may selectively accept gifts of books and other information resources that enhance the collections and support the University's instruction and research programs. Please see our [Materials Donation Policy](#) for additional guidelines.

Duplication of Materials

The FSU Libraries seek to minimize duplication of titles due to space constraints and fiscal responsibility. Duplication of materials in varying formats is not generally supported. Please check the FSU Libraries Collection Development policy for more information.

Lost/Stolen/Replacement

This committee will replace lost or stolen materials if the publication date is within 5 years of publication. Copies or editions of books older than 5 years will not be replaced due to limited space and funding. Requests for lost/stolen material can be made to the Committee Coordinators. Please contact the Pop Lit Committee at lib-poplit@fsu.edu.

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