

## **Acquisitions FY2015**

- All items received and/or paid for during FY2015 are counted as an acquisition for FY2015. Any items not received or paid for in FY2015 are not counted in FY2015, with the exception of Junior Library Guild materials. JLG is paid as a membership payment during the fiscal year, but some of the titles are not received by Blake Library until after the end of the fiscal year, as the membership subscription runs July through August.
- In FY2015, 366 items were purchased totaling \$42,937.44.
  - This is a 12.2% decrease in the number of items purchased and a 3.2% decrease in the total amount spent from last year. In FY2014, 417 items were purchased totaling \$44,338.48.
  - Blake Library and other libraries within the URSUS system continued the consortial contract with the video streaming platform Films on Demand.
- This year, 62 titles included in the acquisitions figures were purchased with funds received from gift accounts, totaling \$2,229.93.
  - In FY2015, the library purchased 20 titles totaling \$1,632.63 from the Inez Day Richards funds. This amount spent decreased by 10% from last year's purchases of \$1,817.
    - This amount includes monograph, serial, and database purchases.
  - This past year, the President's Office purchased 17 titles totaling \$515.50.
  - In FY2015, the library purchased 3 titles totaling \$81.80 from the Library Gift fund.
  - In FY2015, the library did not receive any gift materials from the Student Senate.
  - In FY2015, the library did not receive funds from the STEPS (Student Teacher Education Professional Society) for purchasing items.
  - The largest concentrations of purchases by cost are as follows: nursing 25%, math/science 19.3%, social science 15.3%, humanities 9.4%, education 9%, and business 7.2%.
  - The largest concentrations of purchases by volume count are as follows: juvenile literature 29.5%, humanities 16.9%, music 9.6%, nursing 8.5%, social sciences 7.7%, and education 7.1%.
- Appendix H contains a complete list of library acquisitions (excluding donations and free non-donations) by cost and by volume.

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- The following database annual subscriptions were purchased by Blake Library at a total cost of \$3,517.29:
  - BioOne.1 (BioOne) \*no price is included in total cost due to FY15 invoice applied to FY14 budget
  - Criminal Justice Periodicals (ProQuest)
  - Marquis Who's Who (Marquis)
  - Films on Demand (UMFK portion of UMS subscription)
  - Poetry & Short Story Reference Center (EBSCO): purchased through Inez Day Fund
- Blake Library paid \$350 for its portion of the University of Maine System's subscription to OverDrive Download Library, which provides access to downloadable audio books and ebooks.
  - OverDrive is counted as a single title purchase in acquisitions.
- Blake Library paid \$350 for a collections analysis completed for participation in the Maine Shared Collections Cooperative.
- See also: Appendices I-K.

### **Goals and continuing processes:**

- Successfully navigate changes in the acquisitions department to ensure department processes are done accurately and efficiently.

### **Supporting Academic Excellence:**

- Continue to research and acquire materials that best suit the collection development policies of the library using a subject driven distribution formula created by library staff in FY11
- Maintain contact with faculty and staff to determine their collection needs