HEALTH SCIENCES COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY STATEMENT

I. PURPOSE AND PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

A. Library Collection Development Objective

Odum Library seeks to support the curricular, research, and life-long learning needs in all areas of Health Science. Leaders for Health Science Excellence, and Hands-on Learning accurately describes VSU's School of Health Science. From entry into practice, the School of Health Science has devoted itself to creating health care providers of the future. The curricula adhere to a systemic approach which emphasizes the connections between concepts of theories into practical application. Graduates of the VSU School of Health Science are leaders in healthcare who anticipate and respond to the ever-changing needs of a global community. The School offers several degree programs in various concentrations to accommodate a variety of academic interest and career pursuits.

B. Description of User Groups Supported

The collection supports the needs of undergraduate and graduate students and the faculty. Rapid enrollment increases, particularly with nontraditional students have been observed as changes in user population.

C. New and Expanding Areas of Interest

New and expanding interest include a new AAS in Dental Hygiene, BS in Health Science, BS in Exercise Physiology, MS in Exercise Physiology and a Minor in Nutrition. Faculty research is emphasized in sports psychology, body composition, exercise physiology, and metabolism.

The school of Health Science has recently gone away from athletic training as the degree is no longer offered as of Fall 2020.

D. Areas of Established Specialization

Areas of established specialization include hands on experiences and practical application and professional development.

II. TREATMENT OF SUBJECT DEPTH

A. Treatment of Depth

Subject Subdivisions	Collecting Level
Athletic Performance	3
Athletes—Nutrition	3
Bioenergetics	4
Biomechanics	3
Body composition	3
Cancer and Exercise	3
Cardiovascular Disease and exercise	3
Clinical care of patients	3
Dental Hygiene	3
Disease prevention	3
Exercise	
—Physiology	3
—Psychology	3
Exercise therapy	3
General Health Science	3
Nutrition	3
Health behavior	3
Health Sciences	3
Injury prevention	3
Metabolic Disease and exercise	3
Metabolism	4
Physical fitness—Testing	3
Physiology, Pathological	2
Public Health	3
Resistance Training	3
Special Populations	3
Strength and conditioning	3
Structural kinesiology and Anatomy	3

B. Specific Delimitations

Formats collected: Journals, Media, Monographs, and Reference tools: extensively. Maps, Microformat collections, and Proceedings: excluded.

Imprint dates collected: Current, 20th century: extensively. All other: excluded.

Chronological focus: Current (no chronological focus).

Languages collected: English: extensively. Other: selectively as deemed appropriate by faculty and library staff.

Place of Publication: United States: extensively. Elsewhere: selectively.

Significant Publishers/Associations:

American College of Sports Medicine National Strength and Conditioning Association Clinical Exercise Physiologist Association

Human Kinetics Jones and Bartlett Learning Wolters Kluwer