

**RESOURCES HELD AND SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE  
PORTER HENDERSON LIBRARY TO SUPPORT  
THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**

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The Porter Henderson Library at Angelo State University possesses an array of facilities to support the various degree programs offered by the University. The total library holdings surpass 1,700,000 items in a variety of formats, comprising a collection which compares favorably with the national average for library holdings in colleges and universities offering master's degrees. The holdings include numerous materials received through the Library's designation as a depository for United States and Texas State documents; an extensive reference collection; a selection of journals and periodicals; significant quantities of microform materials; research collections available in the Library's West Texas Collection, located on the Second Floor of the University Center; and tapes, videos, DVDs, and other audio-visual materials. The Library provides a wide variety of electronic databases and on-line services which increase the access to information including over 32,000 on-line serial titles. Library facilities contain nearly 100,000 square feet of space. Students enjoy using study carrels, computer access areas, group study rooms, and study tables and lounges conducive to efficient study and research. There are large reading and reference rooms, open stacks, a media center, and a microform reading area.

As of 31 August 2008, the Library's total holdings were:

Cataloged Books and Bound Periodicals:	512,908
Microform Holdings:	744,120
Document Collections:	425,730
Films (including DVDs and VHS):	10,975
Audio Holdings in all Formats:	5,723
Misc. AV:	1,356
State Approved Textbooks (Curr. Coll.):	7,082
Data CD-ROMS & DVDs:	911
Print Periodical Subscriptions:	1,427
Periodicals available in Online Formats:	32,158
Online Database Subscriptions:	205

In the Library of Congress classification for Education (L), the Library had the following item counts as of 31 August 2008 that totaled to 11,536 items.

L	279
LA	869
LB	5,517
LC	1,744
LD	3,070
LE-LT	57

For additional holdings in related subject areas, please see the Library's online catalog RamCat (<https://phl.angelo.edu/cgi-bin/Pwebrecon.cgi?DB=local&PAGE=First>).

Attached to this information report is a detailed listing of resources added in Education relevant subject areas in the collection in FY 09 through May 2009. The attached detailed listing also includes resource titles available online and Education related database titles available through the campus' portal system called RamPort. The database titles are available virtually 24 by 7 from anywhere on- or off-campus. The detailed listing also includes information on serial and standing order subscriptions for the College of Education. The final section of the detailed listing is a selected list of serial titles available in full-text and/or full-image through the RamPort.

The Library and teacher education program enjoy access to new editions of children's literature materials through membership in the Heart of Texas Literature Center. The Center is a combination review/examination center. Books sent by publishers are kept on display at the Center, and reviews are published in our quarterly journal, the *Lorgnette*. The reviews can also be found on the Children's Literature Comprehensive Database (CLCD). The facility is part of the Walker Memorial Library on the campus of Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas. Through this membership, the Library selects and receives about 300 to 350 new children's books per year.

For both on- and off-campus students and faculty members, the Library provides options for obtaining additional resources. The first is through a traditional interlibrary loan service. The Library is a member of many different consortia that provide reciprocal borrowing privileges at no-cost to members. The Library also has a full-time library assistant and one part-time student assistant dedicated to this service. Reflective of the extensive physical and virtual holdings available through the Library, the ASU Library is a net-lender of information resources. The State of Texas has a state-wide resource sharing consortium called TexShare. This consortium provides a courier service for virtual over-night delivery of materials. In addition like most academic libraries, the ASU Library uses software applications that provide for electronic transmission of copied articles and chapters directly to the requesting student or faculty member. With dedicated staff, consortia agreements and resources, and software solutions, the waiting time for requested materials is a matter of just a few days rather than weeks. Users may submit requests via the Library's web page or directly from the online catalog as well as from most of the databases available through RamPort.

A second option for obtaining additional materials is through a TexShare borrowing card. Any enrolled student or current faculty member may obtain a texshare borrowing card from the Library's Circulation Desk. (Distance learning students may apply electronically for the borrowing card.) This card grants ASU students and faculty members borrowing privileges at over 100 participating university, college, and public libraries throughout Texas.

To insure sufficient and adequate (current) resources in the Education subject areas, the Library's collection development team (Executive Director, Head of Library Reference Services, and Head of Library Technical Services) works with the faculty members from the College of Education through formal and informal meetings, periodic reviews of holdings (both weeding and reviews of serial and standing order subscriptions), and through circulation of information on new

resources available for purchase. At least twice in the last ten years (most recent in FY 07), the Library worked with faculty members in the College to do a thorough weeding of out-of-date and surplus materials from the holdings in the Library's various collections. Each year the Library makes available extra funding (called the Excellence Fund) from the Materials Budget to academic departments preparing for accreditation, program reviews, or simply needing additional funds to support new programs and degree offerings. The College of Education received grants from this fund to replace materials weeded from the collection as well as to support new program development. For an explanation of the Excellence Fund, the Materials Budget allocation process, and the Library's Collection Development Policy, please see: <http://www.angelo.edu/services/library/policies/ppm6.html>.

For distance learning support, the Library provides access to over 1,000 electronic books in the "L" (Education) Library of Congress classification number area. These titles date from 1982 to 2008. Over 60% are less than 10 years old. As noted above, the Library provides access through RamPort to over 200 different database services. At least 25 of these databases are identified as useful for educational research. Three of the prime resources are ERIC (available from three different vendor interfaces), Professional Development Collection, and the Teacher Reference Center. An additional 21 databases include education-related resources. (For additional information on these online resources, please refer back to the attached detailed listing of Education related resources.) In spring 2009, the Library added two new databases: Education Research Complete and Humanities International Complete. These resources provide full-text/full-image access to resources identified in many of the other databases. The Library subscribes to a software application that enables users to easily identify online resources that contain the desired article or resource from any of the database services available through RamPort.

According to "Fulltext Periodicals" located on the Library Tab in RamPort, ASU affiliated students have access to over 750 Education-related serial titles from the online database services, publisher's web sites through subscriptions to online journals, or through other web sites.

For materials that are not available in an online format, ASU distance learning students may request items through the Library's interlibrary loan service or through the use of a TexShare borrowing card. These options were detailed above. As long as the distance learning student resides beyond the borders of the Texas counties adjacent to Tom Green County, books and other non-online materials will be mailed via insured mail, with a postage paid, insured return envelope. This is done at no cost to the student. Articles owned by the Library will be scanned and placed on an ASU computer server. Students will be able to access these items via the Internet with a PIN supplied via E-mail.

The Library also provides an E-Reserve service for both on- and off-campus courses. For more information about services available to distance learning students in the College of Education, please see <http://www.angelo.edu/services/library/handouts/distedres.html>.