Library Policy Statements
Speech Pathology and Audiology

I. PROGRAM INFORMATION

The program is a division of the John A. Burns School of Medicine. The mission of the program is to provide trained personnel for service to the communicatively impaired, and engage in research in the broad area of communication disorders. Instructional and research interests include: speech-language pathology, clinical methodology, audiology, testing of hearing, habilitation and rehabilitation of hearing, speech and hearing science, language development for children with hearing deficiencies, disorders of fluency, and electrophysiologic audiometry. The practice of speech-language pathology requires a minimum of a master’s degree obtained from an accredited program. The program of speech pathology at UH is one of the few programs in the US featuring preparation in a multilingual/multicultural environment.

The department offers the BS and MS in speech-language pathology.

II. COORDINATION OF COLLECTION RESPONSIBILITIES

The fields of speech pathology and audiology overlap with other areas in bioscience, especially physiology and medicine.

Publications of the National Institutes of Health and other medically related government documents are available in the Government Documents Collection.

The collections at several of the hospital libraries act as a supplementary resource for the more clinically oriented journals not held by Hamilton Library.

III. GUIDELINES FOR MATERIALS COLLECTED OR EXCLUDED

Language:
English is preferred. The collection contains some material in Western European languages. Asian language material is housed in both the Science and Technology and Asia collections.

**Chronological:**

No limitations, but the emphasis is on current theories and research.

**Geographic:**

No Limitations.

**Date of Publication:**

Current material is most important.

**Type/Format of Materials Collected:**

Monographs and serials (electronic access preferred) on current research in the field; upper level texts; government publications; conference proceedings; selected United States and foreign dissertations; indexes, abstracts, and bibliographies (paper/electronic); and handbooks and dictionaries.

**Treatment:**

Historical; primary sources and documents; applications, methods and practices; computer-related; equipment used in research; biographical; reference and bibliographical; statistical and mathematical.

**IV. GIFTS**

Books that document scholarly research and university-level textbooks no more than five years old may be accepted. Gifts in other formats that are relevant to the research or instruction mission of speech pathology and audiology will also be reviewed. Popular magazines, short journal runs, materials that duplicate items already in our collections, and materials in poor condition generally are not accepted. Contact the librarian who
collects for speech pathology and audiology 
(http://www.hawaii.edu/reference.html) to discuss the nature, extent and timing of your donation. Gifts of archival materials that relate to the history of the university should be discussed with the University Archives (http://libweb.hawaii.edu/libdept/archives/).

When donated items are accepted by the UH Manoa Library they become the property of the Library. The Library reserves the right to make decisions about the disposition of these materials. A letter of acknowledgement will be sent to donors, but the Library cannot provide monetary appraisals of gifts.

Date compiled: 6/08 Compiler: Paul Wermager