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- We are a [depository library](#) for the Government of Canada; the United Nations; the European Union; and various International Governmental Organizations such as the Asian Development Bank. As such we receive almost everything published by these governments and agencies.
- Through the dedication of the staff at the Library for the Legislative Assembly of BC we also receive a comprehensive selection of materials from the BC government. Many of these are available online and the links for these are included in their catalogue record.
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Baja California Collection



Baja California Collection

Beginning with a nucleus of gifts from Ellen C. Barrett, Francis Howell, Helen Raitt, and others, the Baja California Collection has developed into a major resource for Baja California studies. Over 1,800 books, journals, newspapers, maps, photographs, and manuscripts support comprehensive research in the history, politics, culture, economy, and natural history of the Baja California peninsula. Literature is included when Baja California forms the subject of the work.

Geophysical, archeological and biological studies, descriptions by early explorers, civil codes, mission records and accounts, documentation of settlements, guidebooks, travel narratives and journals, family and local histories, economic reports and statistics, reports on US/Mexican border affairs, and contemporary trade relations reflect the topical breadth of these resources, which range in date from the mid-eighteenth century to the present.

Most of these are Spanish language materials published largely in Baja California or in the United States, although many of the histories, guidebooks, and early works on natural history are in English. Some interesting examples in the collection include 1889/90 issues of *Periodico Oficial*, a government newspaper for the Baja district of Mexico that published legal news and announcements but also included extensive advertising and sales notices; *Lower Californian*, an English language newspaper published in Ensenada in the late nineteenth century; *Coleccion de los principales trabajos ... de los territorios de la Alta y de la Baja California* (1827), an important compilation of eight of the earliest works proposing a government for the Californias; *Lessepas's De la colonizacion de la Baja California* (1859), one of the earliest quantitative summaries of colonization efforts; *Report on the Property of the Triunfo Silver Mining and Commercial Company of Lower California* (1866), a promotional report describing mining operations and encouraging American development; the *Richard Dering Letters*, penned in the mid-nineteenth century by a settler of the Lower California Company; and the papers of cartographer and travel writer Howard E. Gulick.

Additional early accounts of Baja explorers and missionaries appear in the department's Hill Collection of Pacific Voyages. Complimentary materials on marine science are held by UCSD's Scripps Institution of Oceanography. The UCSD International Relations/Pacific Studies Library gathers contemporary documents about Baja California business and trade.

Bibliographic access to these materials is provided through [ROGER WEB](#) and MELVYL, the UCSD Libraries and UC-wide online library catalogs. Finding aids for Baja California manuscripts are also available online.

See Also

- [• Catalog Record for Baja California Collection](#)
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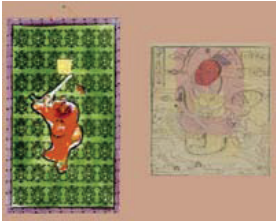
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About the Chinese Studies Collection

Started as the first "Chinese Library" in the United States over 100 years ago, the C.V. Starr East Asian Library at Columbia now has nearly half a million Chinese-language books, serials, microforms and videotapes related to China, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macao in a variety of fields of humanities and social sciences in support of research and teaching at Columbia.

Generally, the collection does not include materials on science and technology. Translations of Western works of a general nature are not collected. The collection has recently started including Chinese-language publications published outside the Greater China area and translations of special scholarly value.

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Area Studies is comprised of the Latin American Collection, the African Studies Collection, the Isser and Rae Price Library of Judaica, and the Asian Studies Collection. The holdings are significant in terms of quantity and quality. The collections support the University's academic programs and scholars worldwide.

African Studies Collection

http://guides.uflib.ufl.edu/african_studies

The Africana Collection supports the UF Center for African Studies, one of the most active and highly regarded such centers in the nation. Likewise, the African Studies Collection is recognized as a unique resource within the UF Libraries, and ranks among the best such collections in the U.S. The collection numbers upwards of 130,000 volumes and over 500 journal titles published in many languages that are located throughout the campus libraries. Books and periodicals, audio and video recordings, newspapers, microfilm, rare books, manuscripts, maps and atlases, computer data files, government documents and a variety of other formats support research and teaching. The collection facilitates inter-disciplinary and applied approaches to the study of the continent with current scholarship and materials of historical interest in a vast array of academic and professional fields.

Asian Studies Collection

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The Asian Studies Collection supports the Asian Studies Program at the University of Florida, which includes East and South Asian history; East, South and Southeast Asian languages and literatures; East, Southeast, South and Central Asian religions; and Asian-related areas within other humanities and social science fields. The Asian Studies Collection serves the research and curricula needs of the Asian Studies faculty, the Asian-related M.A. and Ph.D. students in the separate disciplines, and undergraduates working in various aspects and stages of Asian Studies.

Isser and Rae Price Library of Judaica

<http://web.uflib.ufl.edu/cm/plj/PLJ.html>

The Price Library of Judaica was formally dedicated in March 1981 to support the teaching and research missions of the Center for Jewish Studies at the University of Florida. The library is named for Isser and Rae Price, whose sons, Jack and Samuel Price, established a fund in support of the library. The Library's core collection is the Rabbi Leonard C. Mishkin Library, which at the time of purchase, was the largest private library of Judaica and Hebraica in the U.S. The Mishkin collection was supplemented by two major acquisitions - the Shlomo Marenof Library and the inventory of Bernard Morgenstern's bookstore in New York City. The Library has build upon these acquisitions and is taking its place alongside the well-respected and mature Judaica collections on other American campuses. With few exceptions, the Price Library holds most of the important scholarly landmark literature and classic texts in Jewish studies. It has become a library without peer in the southeastern United States.

Latin American Collection

<http://web.uflib.ufl.edu/lac/>

The Latin American Collection is among the largest and most distinguished collections of Latin American materials in the U.S. and has been described as the finest collection of Caribbeana in the world. Because of Florida's cultural past, the University of Florida has a long tradition of Latin American studies, dating back to the establishment of the University's Inter-American Institute in 1930. In 1951, the Libraries accepted national responsibility for collection Caribbean and West Indian material, aided by federal and private support. Librarians in the 1950s and 1960s traveled extensively acquiring and microfilming newspapers, official gazettes and rare books from many national archives. There is also deep coverage of Brazil, Mexico, Central America, Andean nations and the Southern Cone.

LAC>>Introduction

UF's Latin American Collection ranks among the finest in the world. It contains approximately 500,000 volumes, 1,100 current / active serial titles, some 50,000 microforms, and a growing amount of computer-based information and access. The Latin American Collection itself is one of a small number in the United States that is housed separately and that maintains its own reading room and reference services. These quarters have been upgraded by UF with state and private money, and these improvements have resulted in greatly enhanced service capabilities for Latin American researchers. The Latin American Collection is on the fourth floor of Smathers Library (East). [Click here for a campus map](#)

Overall, some 70% of the Collection's holdings are in Spanish, Portuguese and French; the remainder is largely in English, with some Dutch and indigenous language items held as well. As mentioned, the coverage is broad, and includes all disciplines and geographical areas of Latin America. Particular emphasis is on the Caribbean and Brazil, and to many scholars the University of Florida's Caribbean holdings are considered the best in the field.

The resources of the Latin American Collection are supplemented by those of the research collections in Library West and the other branches and units of the UF Libraries. The collections now comprise more than 4 million cataloged volumes, 4 million microforms and extensive holdings of government documents, maps, archival material and computer files. In total, there are 16,000 current serials.

The staff of the UF Libraries numbers more than 300 FTE librarians, technical support and clerical staff and student assistants. Librarians are active in state, regional and national programs and organizations and are also leading members of several major cooperative international efforts.

To complement UF's Latin American Collection, a campus library staff of bibliographers, archivists, special collectionists, support staff and reference librarians work to develop and oversee local branch holdings and services. These other units include the [Marston Science Library](#) for tropical agriculture and development materials, and the UF [Map Library](#), which has some 500,000 maps and atlases, with approximately 55,000 of these dealing with Latin America and the Caribbean.

Under the [Department of Special Collections](#) is the [P.K. Yonge Library of Florida History](#), which contains over 2.5 million pages of Spanish Florida archival materials, gathered from years of microfilming in Spain's Archivo General de Indias. Special Collections also curates the [Rochambeau and Jeremie papers](#) on colonial Haiti, and the [Braga Brothers Sugar Collection](#), one of the premier archival sources on the development of the Cuban sugar industry, comprising over 1.2 million business and social history documents from the late 19th century and the 20th century. The Rare Books Collection holds many unique and scarce Latin American imprints, with notable [Cuban holdings](#). Additionally, the [Architecture and Fine Arts Library](#), the [Music Library](#), the [Health Science Center](#) and UF's [Law School Library](#) coordinate with the Latin American Collection in areas of collecting and user services.

The Latin American Collection of the University of Florida is an institutional member of [SALALM](#) (the Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials) and [LASER](#) (Latin American Studies Southeastern Region).


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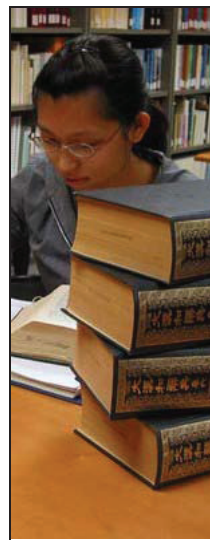
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A digital collection of photographs of southern China taken in the early 1930s by John Shackford who taught briefly at Lingnan University in Guangzhou. An ongoing project.

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Area Studies Department

OUR MISSION:

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WHO WE ARE:


Marion Frank-Wilson, Librarian for African Studies
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Collection Overview

Integrated into the Research Collections of Indiana University's Herman B Wells Library, the general Slavic collection is between 520,000 and 550,000 volumes. Approximately 95% of these are in the humanities and the social sciences. The university started to build the collection in the 1940's. This was early enough for librarians to purchase large Slavic collections from major book dealers, such as Perlestein, for modest sums of money. In this way, the library was able to acquire 19th century materials, and complete runs of academy and other institute publications with some ease.

It should be noted that these figures do not include government publications, thus omitting such works as the FBIS reports and governmental research reports concerning the areas of Europe and Asia.

If a foot of shelving holds roughly 14 volumes, then the Slavic Collection consists of slightly over 7 miles of shelving.

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The Albanian Collection

The Albanian collection totals just over 1,000 volumes, about 700 of which are in Albanian, and the rest in Western languages and Russian. There are long runs of the major history and philology journals (*Studime Filologjike*, 1964-1990; *Jeta e Re*, 1949-1972; *Studime Historike*, 1964-1991). It is the smallest of the collections, although it stands up well against the Albanian collections of other schools, with over 500 volumes in language and literature and almost 300 volumes in Albanian history. With the demise of exchanges with Albania in 1992, we received only a few Albanian materials from Kosovo during the 1990s. Now we are regularly purchasing materials directly from Tirana and receiving Albanian materials through the Macedonian exchange program.

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The Bulgarian Collection

The library has maintained a blanket order system for Bulgarian materials with the Bulgarian National Library for the past 25 years, with a hiatus from 1995-2000. They have done a superb job in building our collection. They have sent us complete runs of all of the major authors--with no missing volumes, the major publications in history, and reference books. Now, we depend more on the direct purchase of new monographs. This is a research collection which is underused. The collection of Academy publications goes back to the 1890's. There are about 19,200 volumes, 16,200 of which are in Bulgarian.

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The Czech and Slovak Collections

The Czech collection supports area study research at a post-graduate level. The Slovak collection, however, is weaker and supports research in language, literature, and history only. The Czech collection contains long runs of journals (*Nase Rec*, 1917-1996; *Slovo a Slovesnost*, 1935-1996; *Lumir*, 1851-1940). Sadly, the library missed many of the publications during the exciting 1967 and 1968 period. The purchase of the microfiche "*Prague Spring '68: Dailies and Periodicals Covering All Spheres of Social Life*" has filled in much of this gap. For the past 15 years Indiana has had a major exchange with the National Library, (now, mainly for serials) which has functioned with great efficiency. The combined Czech and Slovak collections have 45,000 volumes (36,000 in Czech) of which 40,300 are in the vernacular languages. While there are a few émigré Slovak materials, considerable efforts have been made to collect post 1968 Czech émigré books and journals.

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Although there are major gaps in the Hungarian collection, it is still one of the best in the United States. During the years when professor Ranki was at Indiana, only the Library of Congress and Harvard could match Indiana's then current collecting. The post 1989 holdings are weak, due to the enormous difficulty of receiving books from Hungary. The total collection contains approximately 24,300 volumes, 20,400 of which are in Hungarian.

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The Macedonian Collection

The Macedonian collection is one of the smaller vernacular collections, currently containing about 1,800 titles, of which about 60 are serial titles. It focuses on history, language, literature, and linguistics, which account for about 75% of the total titles. Other disciplines of relative strength within the Macedonian collection include anthropology, business, economics, philosophy, religion, and political science. This vernacular collection is supported by about 100 English titles on Macedonian history and literature, and furthermore by the much more substantial Western-language collection devoted to the Balkan peninsula in general. The collection is maintained and developed through direct purchase of new titles (from the German vendor Kubon & Sagner) and foreign exchange with the National and University Library "St. Kliment Ohridski" in Skopje.

Not to be overlooked are the three serial titles available in full-text in the online database "Central and Eastern European Online Library" <http://www.ceeol.com/aspx/publicationlist.aspx>:

Balkananalysis.com
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The Polish Collection

The Polish collection at Indiana is massive, second only to the Russian/Soviet holdings. It contains 59,100 volumes, 52,800 in Polish. It supports graduate research in most areas of the humanities and social sciences. It has the only holding of *Czas* (1848-1900 on 50 reels of microfilm) in the U.S. The émigré publications are well represented, and it has substantial holdings of Polish literature in English translation. Since 2002 the library has been adding annually approximately 1,000 Polish language books.

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The Romanian Collection

The Romanian collection is very uneven. The collection has depended mainly on exchange programs, which flood the library with books one year and send nothing the next. The count for materials concerning Romanian studies is 17,000 volumes, 15,860 of which are in Romanian. Renewed efforts are being made to increase our receipt of current Romanian materials. Starting in 2003 we have been receiving close to 1,000 new volumes annually.

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The Russian/Soviet Collection

This collection is very strong in 20th century history and literature. For 20 years the library maintained a standing order for the first edition of every Soviet author published in Russian, and all literary authors' collected works. There are strong holdings, especially in microfilm for publications during the 1916-1918 period. The 19th century collection, especially in history, is definitely weaker. The library has complete runs of most of the 20th century journals from Europe and the United States concerning Russian language, literature, and history. This includes all publications of Mouton reprints. When a search was made of Horecky's *Basic Russian Publications*, the collection proved to be strong in Reference, History, Diplomacy, Philology, and General Culture. The weakest areas were in Family, Health Services, Insurance, and Labor.

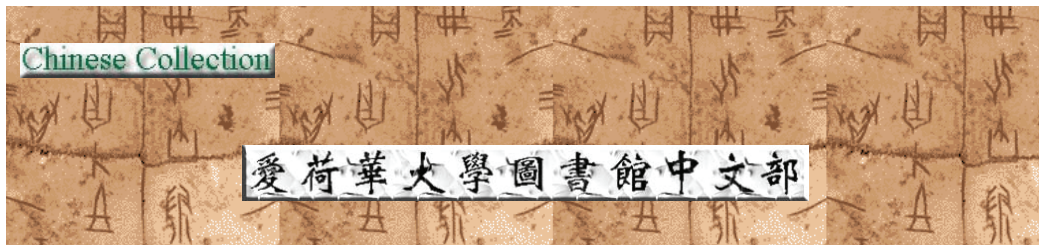
The Estonian collection appears to be unmatched by any other American library.

One of the very strong parts of the Soviet collection is for studies of Soviet Central Asia, now Eurasia. This includes large collections in the Turkic languages of Central Asia. There is also a special collection for the study of Georgia and the general Caucasus.

The overall figure for the Ukrainian collection is unknown, since it has been traditionally counted with the other Soviet materials. However, it has been determined that there are 8,850 volumes in Ukrainian literature and 5,510 in history, for a total of 14,360 in those areas. In all I.U. has 16,800 volumes in Ukrainian.

The total Russian/Soviet collection is approximately 247,000 volumes, 194,000 of which are in Russian.

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- The Chinese Collection has over 130,000 volumes, including about 90,000 volumes in Chinese, and more than 400 current Chinese periodicals, covering subject areas in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences.
- The Chinese Writer Collection housed in the UI Library Special Collection was established in 1992. It collects literary works and manuscripts by Chinese writers around the world who attended the Writers Workshop founded and directed by Paul Engle for many years and the International Writing Program founded by Paul and Hualing Nieh Engle during the 1960s at the University of Iowa. Here is [a list of the writers](#).
- The collection is, in particular, strong in Chinese history, literature, dialectology, religion, and Dunhuang studies. [The David Middleton Reed Collection](#) includes, among other things, the Siku Quanshu.
- The Chinese Film and Theatre Collection includes Chinese film and theatre titles in various formats. It has more than 1300 titles covering Chinese films and theatres, dated back as early as the 1920s. It is located in Media Services Center, Main Library. Users can search this collection through our library on-line catalog, [InfoHawk](#).
- The Chinese Medical Journal Collection is noted and widely used across the nation. Here is [a list of these journals](#) (.pdf).

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The screenshot displays the University of Kansas Libraries website. At the top, there is a blue header with the KU LIBRARIES logo and a search bar. Below the header, the main content area features a large circular graphic with the text "KU LIBRARIES International Area Studies Collection". To the left of this graphic is a vertical navigation menu with links such as "Libraries Home", "Articles & Databases", "Catalog: books & more", "E-journals", "Research by Subject", "Course Reserves", "Library Pages A-Z", "Images", "KU ScholarWorks", "» more Digital Collections", "Hours", "My Account", "Request Materials", "Friends & Benefactors", and "Suggestions". Below the menu is a "ask a librarian" button and a "SHARE" button. To the right of the circular graphic, there is a paragraph of text describing the collection's strengths and the services provided by subject specialists. Below this text, a list of subject areas is provided: African Studies, East Asian Library, Slavic & Eurasian Studies, and Department for Spain, Portugal & Latin America. At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with contact information, a "↑ top" button, and a navigation menu with links to various university departments and services.

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From *Mission from Cape Coast Castle to Ashantee* by Edward T. Bowdich, 1819.

Established in 1954, the **Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies** at Northwestern University is the largest separate Africana collection in existence. Its scope is as wide as the continent of Africa itself; its subject matter ranges from art, history, literature, music, and religion to communications, management, and cooking. The Africana collection is a resource for the entire university, and most of Northwestern's disciplinary programs are reflected in the collection. In addition to serving the NU community, the Herskovits Library staff also serves regional, national, and international scholars as well. Reference assistance is available in the Herskovits Library from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, *Monday through Friday*.

- To locate specific titles of monographs and serials, consult [NUcat](#), the Northwestern University Library's online catalog.
- Other print resources in the Africana collection include extensive collections of uncataloged materials (housed in vertical file cabinets) and conference papers (interfiled amongst the Africana stacks). To access these titles, consult the [Africana Vertical File Index](#) and the [Africana Conference Paper Index](#), also available through NUcat.
- More information about how to find specific resources, such as articles, reference material, primary resources, and dissertations and theses is available in the [African Studies Research Guide](#).

To schedule a research consultation, instruction session for a class, or to learn more about the services we offer at the Herskovits Library, check out our [Services](#) page!

Looking for a map of Africa? Check out [this map of Africa](#) & [information about each African country](#), from the CIA World Factbook.

Quick Facts about the Africana Collection

- 400,000 volumes
- 2,800 current serials
- More than 6000 non-circulating rare books
- 250 current newspapers
- 15,000 books in 300 different African languages
- Archival and manuscript collections
- Extensive collections of ephemera, maps, posters, videos, and photographs
- Electronic resources for the study of Africa



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Also founded by Melville J. Herskovits, the [Program of African Studies](#) guides the study of Africa at Northwestern, engaging students and faculty in a wide variety of activities. The program hosts scholars and distinguished visitors from Africa and around the world. Throughout the year, PAS sponsors talks, discussions, readings, films, and other events. PAS also works with other centers of African scholarship in the Chicago area, such as the University of Chicago, the Field Museum of Natural History, and the Art Institute of Chicago, the program also maintains close ties with scholars and other centers of African study around the world.

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General Information Established in 1954, the Melville J. Herskovits Library of African Studies at Northwestern University is the largest extant separate Africana collection. In addition to serving the NU community, the Herskovits Library serves regional, national, and international scholars as well. Reference Assistance is available in the Herskovits Library from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Advance appointments are encouraged for first-time visitors.

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The Center, established in the Summer of 1999, was made possible through the generosity of Dr. Vernon R. Alden and Marion Parson Alden. Dr. Alden was president of Ohio University 1962 - 1969. The Center is named after the former Dean of Libraries, Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee, a key contributor to the development of Ohio University's area studies collections.



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