

Reviews published in professional, literary or general periodicals, and requests from members of the community are used as a basis of selection in conjunction with selection criteria by professional librarians under the direction of the Library Director.

In order to build collections of merit and significance, all acquisitions are considered in terms of the following objective standards. Some materials may be judged primarily on artistic merit, while others are considered because of scholarship value as human documents, or ability to satisfy the recreational and entertainment needs of the community.

1. Present and potential relevance to the community needs.
2. Suitability of subject and style for intended audience.
3. Current and historical significance.
4. Insight into human and social conditions.
5. Relation to existing collection, other materials on subject, and availability of materials in the area.
6. Attention given by critics, reviewers, professional book selection aids, and the public.
7. Suitability and effectiveness of format.
8. Reliability of publisher and authority of author.
9. Budgetary and space considerations.<sup>11</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> Reviewed September 22, 1967. <http://www.eric.gov>