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**LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT**

Course: HIS 363: Public History: Presenting Rhode Island's Past

Department, College: Department of History, College of Arts and Sciences

Faculty Member: Dr. Christiana Morgan Grefe, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Date returned to Faculty: 9/9/10

Librarian Completing Assessment: Amanda Izenstark

Assessment of:

**the suitability of existing resources;
the new resources required to support the program;
the information skills education required by the students; and
the funds needed for library materials and services.**

1. Summary of existing library holdings in relevant subject categories, including supporting collections from HELIN. Amount of money now allocated in the program area.

\$4,300 per year is allocated for History monographic purchases. Because of the local focus of the course, the topics covered by the course are well supported by materials at URI and in the HELIN consortium.

The following databases provide good indexing and abstracting of the topics covered:

- America History and Life
- Reader's Guide Retrospective

JSTOR, Project Muse, and our other full text databases provide useful full text on the subject.

2. Does URI have the essential journals as noted in the Faculty Questionnaire?

Yes.

3. What new resources are required to support the program (including media, computing, or other nonprint materials)?

No new resources are required.

4. What information mastery sessions will be required for the students?

One instruction session covering monographs and scholarly resources supplemented with librarian availability for follow up questions should be sufficient.

5. What is the approximate cost to acquire the materials necessary? Which of these will be

continuing costs?

No new materials will need to be acquired.