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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIVE DISORDERS

LIBRARY COLLECTIONS/SERVICES

PROGRAM QUALITY REVIEW 1999-2000

I. FY97-99 Expenditures for Books and Journals [including electronic databases]: all URI academic departments are provided with a yearly allocation for books. The following provides recent expenditures for your department [along with departments covering related subject areas]:

Dept.	FY97 Books	FY97 Jrnls	FY97 Total	FY98 Books	FY98 Jrnls	FY98 Total	FY99 Books	FY99 Jrnls	FY99 Total
Lib. Total	**418522**	**1588691**	**2007213**	**416802**	**1405294**	**1822096**	**391203**	**1520471**	**1911674**
CMD	693	3314	4007	657	3895	4552	940	4127	5067
PHT	0	13906	13906	871	15094	15965	1767	16146	17913
PED	0	2972	2972	981	2893	3874	458	3099	3557
HLT*	0	24630	24630	0	9933	9933	0	10898	10898
NUR	7815	23180	30995	4647	25100	29747	6238	25431	31669

* HLT is a non-departmental code for general health science journals

II. View of Book Collections by Selective Subjects (LC): the following provides a broad look at the scope of URI's book collection, recent activity in adding to the collection, the scope of that activity in relation to the whole and in relation to other medium size academic libraries, and the latest circulation statistics:

Subject [LC]	Total Items as of 6/99	% of Total Items Held	Books Added 95/99	% of Items Added	Circ. Stats FY99	% of Total Circ.	Books Added 1983-1993	Avg. Added Peer Group
Neurology	1430	0.174	78	0.273	206	0.323	346	274
Otorhinology	312	0.038	21	0.074	66	0.103	74	77

III. Scholarly Books published FY97-FY99: the following provides a look at the numbers of book titles supplied to academic libraries in FY97-FY99 by broad subject:

Subject	1996/97	1996/97	1997/98	1997/98	1998/99	1998/99
	# of titles*	$ of titles*	# of titles	$ of titles	# of titles	$ of titles
Otorhinology	40	$5,693	28	$3,692	51	$5,382
Intern. Med.	1548	$116,075	1626	$128,438	1726	$132,495
Medicine,Gen	274	$14,828	326	$18,024	403	$24,627
Physiology	439	$52,394	422	$43,715	445	$46,090

* does not include university presses

IV. Selective Journal Holdings: SCI/SSCI provide rankings of scholarly journals based on a number of categories. The following is the ranking published in *Journal Citation Reports* for 1998, by impact factor:

Subject	# of titles	URI Holdings	URI holdings of top ten	URI holdings of 11-20
Otorhinolaringology	29	6	3	2
Language & linguistics	41	24	8	8
Educ.,Special	21	12	7	5
Rehabilitation	44	18	6	5

a. Speech-language pathology: The Medical Library Association sponsored research to help determine a core journal literature for speech-language pathology published as "Mapping the literature of speech-language pathology" by Linda G. Slater and John W. Scott in Bull.Med Libr Assoc, 85(3), July, 1997, p.297-302. This study states "As the results indicate, there is a very small core of journals in the area of speech-language pathology. Three titles represent a third of the citations appearing in the four journals scanned; thirty eight represent another third; and 840 represent the final third."[300]. URI holds the three titles in the top tier, and 26 of the 38 titles in the second tier, providing more than substantial and significant coverage of the journal literature for the CMD program.

b. Audiology: In "A use study of speech pathology and audiology periodicals at Illinois State University" by Nancy Duran, et.al. in Bull.Med.Libr.Assoc, 85(4), Oct., 1997, p.373-377, a ranked list by use is provided of 33 titles, of which 15 are held by URI [6 out of the top ten].

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