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PHYSICAL THERAPY PROGRAM
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
URI total	418522	1588691	2007213	416802	1405294	1822096	391203	1520471	1911674
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 allocation 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
Therapeutics	2237	0.274	109	0.382	252	0.395	486	249
Human anat	515	0.063	24	0.084	50	0.078	61	68
Surgery	1109	0.136	129	0.452	137	0.215	269	190
Int.medicine	678	0.083	42	0.147	30	0.047	130	104

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
Therapeutics	249	\$14,275	271	\$15,595	261	\$16,107
Human anatomy	43	\$2,626	50	\$2,455	63	\$6,221
Internal medicine	1465	\$102,954	1548	\$116,075	1485	\$118,593
Surgery	254	\$28,646	361	\$39,615	344	439,763

* 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 10	URI holdings of 11-20
Anatomy	17	1	1	0 of 7
Publ., envir. & occ. Health	80	19	4	3
Rehabilitation	17	8	7	1 of 7
Sports science	58	19	8	5

Eileen M. Wakiji in "Mapping the literature of physical therapy" Bull.Med.Libr.Assoc, 85(3),July 1997 p.284-288, identifies the core physical therapy journals. "Using Bradford's law of scattering, this bibliometric analysis found that fourteen journals constitute the core journal literature for physical therapy. These fourteen journals constitute the first, or nuclear zone which contains a small number of highly productive journals and one-third of the cited journal articles...Zone 2, containing the second one-third of the most frequently cited journal articles, has ninety-five journals." URI subscribes to 13 of the 14 in the top tier, and 58 of the 95 titles in the second tier.

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