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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT

LIBRARIANS' ASSESSMENT

Course: AAF 395 -- Religion and African American Life

Department, College: Africana Studies, College of Arts and Sciences

Faculty Member: Prof. Vanessa Wynder Quainoo

Date returned to Faculty: 8 April 2016

Librarian Completing Assessment: m. vocino

This course, AAF395 -- Religion and African American Life, is designed to examine and research the role of religion in the life of African Americans. As the draft syllabus submitted in support of this course states, "...Students will engage primary texts/data such as sermons, testimonies, journals, letters from African American religious contexts". The University libraries understand from the instructor's Library Impact Statement that most of the bibliographic requirements will be met by titles required by the instructor. There are no required or recommended uses of specific URI library resources. Students will be using assigned texts and websites.

After reviewing the course syllabus and the Library Impact Statement submitted to the library, it is clear that our current holdings, both monographic and serial will support this proposed course. It should be understood, however, that the URI Libraries are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs may arise for the instructor and students of this course, but we cannot add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) that it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. Our monographic holdings in Africana Studies are very good and will meet the requirements of this course. The critical journals and electronic resources that the University Library currently holds will suffice.

We are able to support this course bibliographically. If bibliographic instruction is required for this course, the instructor for the course should contact our information literacy specialists through the Information and Research Help Desk at 874-2653.

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