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## Introduction to Medical Anthropology APG 345

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

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: APG 345, Introduction to Medical Anthropology

Department, College: Sociology & Anthropology, Arts & Sciences

Faculty Member: Kris Bovy

Date returned to Faculty: 17 February 2021

Librarian Completing Assessment: Karen Walton Morse

Collection Management Officer: Joanna M. Burkhardt

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Assessment of:

- Suitability of existing library resources;
- New library resources required to support the program;
- Information skills education required by the students; and
- Funds needed for library materials and services.

Please include:

**1. What library holdings already exist in relevant subject categories. How much money is now allocated in the subject area?**

The Library actively purchases new publications related to medical anthropology as well as additional relevant resources in support of the programs of the Colleges of Health Sciences and Nursing.

The 2020-2021 allocation for monographs for Sociology & Anthropology (including Criminology & Criminal Justice) was approximately \$8000 (steady from 2019-2020 and up from \$7800 in 2017-2018). The cost of journal subscriptions is not broken out by department.

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

The Library has physical holdings of *Medical Anthropology* from volume 5-16 (1981-1996) and provides electronic access to volume 17 (1997) going forward. For *Medical Anthropology Quarterly*, the Library's physical holdings cover 2002-2007 with online access from 1983-present.

The Faculty Questionnaire also lists access to LexisNexis as required for the course. The Library subscribes to LexisNexis' *Nexis Uni* product and anticipates maintaining the subscription.

**3. What new resources are required to support the course (including media, electronic, or other non-print materials)?**

No new library resources are required to support this course.

This subject matter has previously been taught in a Topics course via APG 310. Based on previous offerings, current library resources are sufficient to meet the students' needs for the course.

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

No information mastery sessions are required for students in this course.

Should the instructor want to bring the class to the Library for instruction on research techniques and/or database use, arrangements can be made through the Public Services Department. Currently Mary MacDonald (Assoc. Professor, Information Literacy Librarian) oversees the instruction program.

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

The Library should be able to support this course without any extraordinary expenditure on materials.