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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.

Program: NRS 450/452

Department, College: Natural Resources Science

Faculty Member: Professor Mark Stolt

Date returned to Faculty: March 13, 2017

Librarian Completing Assessment: Michael A. Cerbo II

Collection Management Officer: Professor Joanna Burkhardt

This 3 credit, general education course is titled "Soils, Land Use, and the Environment" and the Professor expects the students to conduct no research.

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs might arise for the instructor. Our monographic holdings in ecology and the environment are good and any additional materials can be garnered through interlibrary loan.

Access to journals in this field meets the needs of the course. All of the required journals are offered online through the library, including Nature, Science, and Sustainability: Science, Practice and Policy. Our online indexes and abstracts in environmental management specifically and the sciences generally should more than meet the demands of this course. In particular, access to reference databases such as Web of Science, Environment Abstracts, Biological and Agricultural Index Plus, and the more general Academic Search Complete are available. We are unable to add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. However, our current holdings in this field seem sufficient.

Therefore, the librarian believes that the Library can support, bibliographically, the needs of the students to be able to acquire the most out of this course.

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Natural Resource Science Bibliographer
13 March 2017