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Program: Minor in American Studies

Department, College: English, Arts and Sciences

Faculty Member: David Faflik

Date returned to Faculty: 10/8/13

Librarian Completing Assessment: Joanna M. Burkhardt

Collection Management Officer: Joanna M. Burkhardt

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, including supporting collections from HELIN. How much money is now allocated in the program area?

   Substantial holdings already exist in relevant subject categories, both at URI and via our HELIN partners. $4600 is allocated for the purchase of monographs in English. Because this is a multidisciplinary program, further support will come from other subject areas as well. There is no separate journal allocation for English. It is incorporated in the cost of databases where the cost is shared across the board.

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

   URI has the essential journals noted in the Faculty Questionnaire. Amierkastudies/American Studies: a Quarterly is currently only available through 2009. JSTOR has a “moving wall” of 3 years, meaning that the most current 3 years are not available. As long as the current 3 years are not essential, URI can provide this title.

3. What new resources are required to support the program (including media, electronic, or other non-print materials)?
No new library resources are required to support this program.

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

No information mastery sessions are listed as required for this class. The library recommends that all students doing subject specific research be brought to the library for instruction in the use of the relevant databases. Reference librarians are available by appointment to teach these sessions. Online User Guides for database searching are also available.

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

There are no new costs for the library associated with this program.