

Ocean County College Government Documents Collection Development

I. Statement:

As a selective depository in the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP), the Ocean County College Library strives to meet the needs of a diverse patron population through careful selection of relevant and desirable government documents. Ocean County College's participation in the FDLP is predicated on a desire to support the curriculum and the information needs of citizens from the local community with access to federal materials. To this end, the Ocean County College library utilizes a number of criteria to determine item selection and retention.

II. Criteria:

Items may be selected if they appropriately support the Ocean County College/Kean@Ocean curriculum, mission, and/or administration; if they appropriately support the academic and/or research interests of the Ocean County College/Kean@Ocean faculty, staff and/or students; and/or if they appropriately support the information needs of local community members. [Local community members are primarily defined as residents of Ocean County and, therefore, may be constituents of either the Third or Fourth Congressional District of New Jersey.] The Federal Depository Library Handbook's "Suggested Core Collections," will serve as the primary foundation for item selection and may allow collection of items outside of a strictly localized collection focus. Additionally, the Government Documents Librarian/Supervisor will determine, either by GPO/FDLP directive, by professional best practice standards, and/or by professional discretion, which items are appropriate for the Ocean County College Library collection, regardless of institutional focus. Where necessary, priority items will be considered those that support the Ocean County College curriculum.