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Memorandum

To: Barry A. Joyce  
   Associate Professor of History

From: Susan Brynteson  
   Vice Provost and May Morris University Librarian

I am responding to your request to supply information about the capability of the University of Delaware Library to support the proposed Masters of Social Studies in World History.

The University of Delaware Library with its strong interdisciplinary and electronic collections is well able to support the proposed new program up to and including at the doctoral level. Enclosed is a description of collections, resources and services available.

I would be pleased to respond to any questions.

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Enclosure

c: John J. Hurt, Chair, Department of History
   Carol A. Rudisell, Librarian, Reference and Instructional Services Department
   Francis C. Poole, Head, Film and Video Collection Department
   Shelly L. McCoy, Head, Student Multimedia Design Center
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Report on Library Services and Collections in Support of the Masters of Social Studies in World History for the College of Arts and Sciences

General Description

The University of Delaware Library includes the Hugh M. Morris Library, where the main collection is housed; three branch libraries located on the Newark campus, the Agriculture Library, the Chemistry Library, and the Physics Library; and a fourth branch library, the Marine Studies Library, located in Lewes, Delaware. The Library collections parallel the University’s academic interests and support all disciplines. In addition to collections which directly support the new degree proposal, the Library has strong collections in other related areas such as African American Studies, African Studies, Anthropology, Art History Asian Studies, Education, History and Delawareana in Special Collections, History of Science and Technology, Jewish Studies, Latin American Studies, Material Culture, Middle Eastern Studies, Political Science, Sociology and Women’s Studies.

Books, periodicals, microforms, government publications, computer databases and other electronic resources, maps, manuscripts, and media provide a major academic resource for the University of Delaware, the surrounding community, the state of Delaware, and the nation. Library staff members provide a wide range of services, including reference assistance, circulation, interlibrary loan, instructional programs, multimedia design, and assistance to the visually impaired.

The University of Delaware Library is a U.S. depository library and a U.S. patent depository library and contains a complete file of every patent the U.S. Office of Patents and Trademarks has issued.

The online catalog, DELCAT, provides access to millions of items by author, title, subject, and keyword.

Library collections number over 2,800,000 and are broad based and comprehensive. In 2011/2012, the Library Web <www.udel.edu/library/> received over 1,600,000 virtual visits.

The University of Delaware Library is a member of the Association of Research Libraries, OCLC, the Center for Research Libraries, LYRASIS, CIRLA (The Chesapeake Information and Research Library Alliance), NERL (NorthEast Research Libraries), Portico, the OCLC Research Partnership and the HathiTrust.

Specific Support for the Masters of Social Studies in World History

Funds are designated at the beginning of each fiscal year for the support and strengthening of the collections including those related to History. Support for the Masters of Social Studies in World History is supplemented by funds used to purchase materials in the related areas noted previously as well as funds for the licensing of electronic resources.
The Library subscribes to many print journals and electronic journals which support the Masters of Social Studies in World History. A list of electronic journals by subject is available from the Library Web by clicking on “E-Journals” on the Library Web page <www.udel.edu/library/>. In addition to various reference sources in print (see “Research Guides” on the Library Web page), the Library also makes available several electronic databases of text, audio and video resources which would support the Masters of Social Studies in World History, including Annual Bulletin of Historical Literature (Wiley Online Library), Black Studies Center, Education Full Text, ERIC, Historical Abstracts, Iter: Gateway to the Middle Ages and Renaissance, Keesing’s World News Archive and VAST: Academic Video Online.

The Library also subscribes to RefWorks, a web-based bibliographic and database management system that can be used with most databases.

An expanded, selected list of databases and electronic resources includes:

**Biographical databases:** American National Biography, Biography and Genealogy Master Index, Biography Reference Bank, Dictionary of National Biography, Wilson Biographies Plus Illustrated


**eBooks, Current:** Credo Reference, Knovel, OECD iLibrary, Safari Books Online, Springer eBooks

**eBooks, Historic:** African Writers Series, Caribbean Literature, Early American Imprints (Evans), Early English Books Online, Eighteenth Century Collections Online, Gerritsen Collection, Making of the Modern World, Past Masters

**eJournal databases:** 19th Century UK Periodicals, APS (American Periodicals Series) Online, International Index to Black Periodicals Full Text, HarpWeek, IEEE/IET Electronic Library, JSTOR, Opinion Archives, Project MUSE, ScienceDirect (Elsevier), Springer ejournals

**General multidisciplinary:** Academic OneFile, COS Pivot, Expanded Academic ASAP Plus, General OneFile, LexisNexis Academic, Nineteenth Century Masterfile, Opposing Viewpoints in Context, Periodicals Index Online, ProQuest Dissertations and Theses, SCOPUS, Statistical Abstracts, Web of Science (Science Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index; Arts and Humanities Citation Index)

**General Reference:** Credo Reference, EIU Country Profiles, EIU Country Reports, EIU ViewsWire, Oxford English Dictionary, RefWorks, WorldCat

**Government:** American State Papers (1789-1838), CQ (Congressional Quarterly) Researcher Plus Archive, CQ Weekly, LexisNexis Congressional Parliamentary Papers (House of Commons, 1801-1900), U.S. Congressional Serial Set (1817-1994)
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**Image databases:** AP Images, ARTstor

**Literature databases:** African Writers Series, Black Drama, Caribbean Literature, Essay and General Literature Index, Literature Online, Literature Resource Center, MLA International Bibliography

**Multimedia databases:** American History in Video, Theatre in Video, VAST: Academic Video Online

**Music databases:** American Song, Classical Music Library, Contemporary World Music, Jazz Music Library, National Jukebox, Naxos Music Library, Oxford Music Online, Smithsonian Global Sound

**Newspapers, Current:** Ethnic NewsWatch, LexisNexis Academic, ProQuest Newspapers, World News Connection


**Science/Technology/Medicine databases:** AGRICOLA, Aquatic Sciences Set, Biological Abstracts, Biological and Agricultural Index Plus, Biological Sciences Set, CINAHL Plus with Full Text, Compendex, Engineering Village, Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management, General Science Index, GreenFILE, GREENR, Health and Wellness Resource Center, Health Reference Center Academic, Inorganic Crystal Structure Database, Inspec, Journal Citation Reports, MEDLINE, Physics Abstracts, PubMed, Reaxys (formerly Beilstein), SciFinder (Chemical Abstracts), Springer Protocols, Web of Science

A full list of databases is available on the Library Web (see: <www.udel.edu/library/>). Census information and other demographic data are available as is a wide range of printed and electronic reference sources.

The Library also maintains an Institutional Repository (see: <dspace.udel.edu:8080/dspace/>), which archives research reports and documents and other resources produced by University of Delaware faculty.
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The Library has a strong collection of film and video which covers a wide range of subjects that are used by all students and faculty, including the Department of History. The video collection is heavily used; is increasing in size; and there has been much consultation about it by Francis C. Poole, Librarian and Head of the Film and Video Collection Department, with faculty in a number of disciplines.

The Library has a nationally recognized Student Multimedia Design Center located on the Lower Level of the Morris Library which provides University of Delaware students, faculty and staff access to technology and training related to creation of multimedia programs. The Student Multimedia Design Center includes 80 workstations, six studios, and two classrooms focused on multimedia creation, and is open all hours the Library is open. University of Delaware users may also borrow a wide variety of multimedia equipment. The Center also provides assistance to faculty and students related to multimedia literacy skills to help integrate multimedia into instruction. Shelly L. McCoy is Head of the Student Multimedia Design Center. More information is available at: <www.lib.udel.edu/multimedia/>.

A professional librarian, Carol A. Rudisell, Librarian in the Reference and Instructional Services Department, serves as liaison to the faculty in the Department of History. Suggestions for purchases received by the Library for materials related to History are directed to Ms. Rudisell, who also regularly consults faculty about priorities and the direction the collections should take. Ms. Rudisell is also available for instruction in the use of the Library for students and faculty.

She maintains a subject website for History which can be accessed from the Library Web <www.udel.edu/library/> via the “Research Guides” search box on the main Library Web page or directly by the URL <guides.lib.udel.edu/history>. In addition to electronic resources, it contains detailed descriptions of selected primary resources including printed collections; visual material; and manuscripts and archival materials.

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