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Memorandum

To: Jack J. Baroudi
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    Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems

From: Susan Brynteson
      Vice Provost and May Morris Director of Libraries

I am responding to your request to supply information about the capability of the University of Delaware Library to support the proposed minor in Global Enterprise Technologies.

The University of Delaware Library with its strong interdisciplinary 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: Clinton E. White, Professor, Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems
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   Francis C. Poole, Head, Instructional Media Collection Department
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Report on Library Services and Collections in Support of the Minor in Global Enterprise Technologies for the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems in the Alfred Lerner College of Business and Economics

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 proposed new minor, the Library has strong collections in other related areas such as Communication, Computer and Information Sciences, Political Science and International Relations, Sociology, and Urban Affairs and Public Policy.

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 2009/2010, the Library Web <www.udel.edu/library/> received over 1,500,000 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) and Portico.

The University of Delaware Library is also an Affiliate Member of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) Middle Atlantic Region and shares its strong collection of health sciences resources by supplying non-profit libraries in Delaware, including hospital libraries, with articles and books from the University of Delaware Library via interlibrary loan at no charge.
Specific Support for the Minor in Global Enterprise Technologies

Funds are designated at the beginning of each fiscal year for the support and strengthening of the collections including those related to Business and Economics. Support for the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems 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 an enormous number of electronic journals which support the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems. A list of electronic journals by subject is available from the Library Web by clicking on "Electronic Journals" at the top of the main page <www.udel.edu/library/>. In addition to various reference sources in print (see the "Research Guides" section of the Subject Guides available under the section "Subject Guides A-Z" on the Library Web page), the Library also makes available several electronic databases which would support the proposed new minor, including ACM Digital Library, Computer Database, Computer Science Index, EDGAR Database of Corporate Information, EIU ViewsWire, Industry Norms and Key Business Ratios, Investext Plus, Mergent Online, NetAdvantage, RIA Checkpoint, and Valueline Research Center, and.


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

The Library has a strong collection of videotapes and films which cover a wide range of subjects which could be of use to the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems. The video collection is heavily used; is increasing in size; and there has been much consultation about it by Francis Poole, Librarian and Head of the Instructional Media Collection Department, with faculty in a number of disciplines.

A professional librarian, Dr. Pauly Iheanacho, Associate Librarian in the Reference Department, serves as liaison to the faculty in the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems. Suggestions for purchases received by the Library for materials related to the Department of Accounting and Management Information Systems are directed to Dr. Iheanacho, who also regularly consults faculty about priorities and the direction the collections should take. Dr. Iheanacho is also available for instruction in the use of the Library for students and faculty.

He maintains a subject Web site for Business and Economics which can be accessed from the Library Web <www.udel.edu/library/> by clicking on “Subject Guides A to Z” or directly by the URL <www2.lib.udel.edu/subj/bsec/>. 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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