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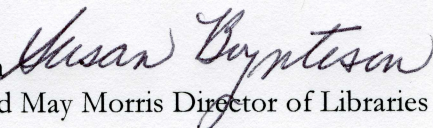
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Memorandum

To: Daniel Rich
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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 Proposal for Provisional Approval of a New Undergraduate Minor in Public Policy in the School of Public Policy and Administration.

The University of Delaware Library with its strong interdisciplinary and electronic collections is well able to support the proposed new minor. 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: Maria Aristigueta, Director, School of Public Policy and Administration
Leland Ware, Louis L. Redding Chair and Professor for the Study of Law and Public Policy
Michael Gutiérrez, Associate Librarian, Reference Department
Francis Poole, Head, Instructional Media Collection Department
Craig Wilson, Assistant Director for Library Collections



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Report on Library Services and Collections in Support of the Proposal for Provisional Approval of a
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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 undergraduate minor, the Library has strong collections in other related areas such as Economics, Environmental Studies, History, Legal Studies, Material Culture, Political Science, and Sociology.

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 School of Public Policy and Administration

Funds are designated at the beginning of each fiscal year for the support and strengthening of the collections including those related to Public Policy. Support for the School of Public Policy and Administration 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 Public Policy. 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 undergraduate minor, including Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals, LexisNexis Primary Sources in U. S. History, Sanborn Maps: Delaware, Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management, International Abstracts of Human Resources, LegalTrac, LexisNexis State Capital, ASSIA: Applied Social Sciences Index and Abstracts, Gallup Brain, GPO Access, MarciveWeb DOCS, Population Index, and Statistical Abstracts.

In addition, the Library provides access to such important electronic resources as ABI/Inform, America: History and Life (1954-present), American History in Video, Academic OneFile (1980-present), AP Images, ArchiveGrid, Art Abstracts/Art Index Retrospective (1929-present), ARTstor, Biography and Genealogy Master Index, Biography in Context, Biography Reference Bank, Biography Resource Center, Business and Company Resource Center, CASSIS, CQ (Congressional Quarterly) Researcher Plus, Congressional Serial Set, Early English Books Online (EEBO), EconLit, Education Full Text (1983-present), Eighteenth Century Collections Online (ECCO), ERIC (Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, 1966-present), Expanded Academic ASAP Plus, General Business File ASAP, General OneFile, Google Scholar, Historical Abstracts (1955-present), International Index to Black Periodicals Full Text (some indexing dates back to 1902), Journal Citation Reports, JSTOR, LexisNexis Academic, LexisNexis Congressional Universe, LexisNexis Statistical Universe, Medline, MLA International Bibliography, New York Times (Historical), Nineteenth Century Masterfile, Opposing Viewpoints in Context, Oxford Dictionary of National Biography, PAIS International, Periodicals Index Online, Philosopher's Index, Project Muse, ProQuest Dissertations and Theses (Dissertation Abstracts), PsychINFO, PubMed, ScienceDirect, Sociological Abstracts, Springer eBooks, STAT-USA, Times Digital Archive (London Times), Wall Street Journal, Web of Science, World Newspaper Archive, WorldCat and WorldCat Local. Several databases incorporate the Library's major linking service, Get It, for electronic access to the full text of journal articles. A full list of databases is available on the Library Web (see: <www.lib.udel.edu/>). Census information and other demographic data are available as is a wide range of printed and electronic reference sources.

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

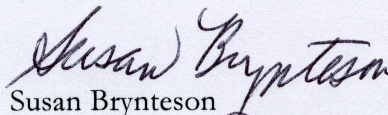
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The Library also maintains an Institutional Repository (see: <dspace.udel.edu:8080/dspace/>), which archives research reports and documents and other resources produced by University of Delaware faculty.

The Library has a strong collection of videotapes and films which cover a wide range of subjects which could be of use to the School of Public Policy and Administration. 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, Michael Gutiérrez, Associate Librarian in the Reference Department, serves as liaison to the faculty in the School of Public Policy and Administration. Suggestions for purchases received by the Library for materials related to Public Policy are directed to Mr. Gutiérrez, who also regularly consults faculty about priorities and the direction the collections should take. Mr. Gutiérrez is also available for instruction in the use of the Library for students and faculty.

He maintains a subject Web site for Public Policy 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/urba/>. 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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