

Collection and Resources Development Policy

Social Sciences

Social Sciences includes anthropology, business and economics, education, library science and generalities, sport and recreation, psychology and sociology. The interdisciplinary nature of social sciences means there is overlap with other disciplines, particularly the humanities.

Collection development focuses on Australia, with emphasis on Victoria. Material relevant to major countries from which Victorians have emigrated is collected, as well as coverage of issues in countries that have particular relevance to Victorian communities.

Apart from social groups, women's studies and aspects of education, the collection is generally at a basic information level, which includes general reference, overviews and a broad range of standard and pivotal works on all aspects of the social science subjects.

Anthropology

Includes material on culture and institutions, customs of societies and groups, humans and forebears.

Business and Economics

Covers material on financial, company and economic relevance and management theory.

Education

Covers the philosophy and theory of education, school organisation and management and education in schools.

Library and Information Science and Generalities

Covers information management, library administration, journalism and publishing.

Psychology

Covers the scientific study of human behaviour, as individuals and in groups.

Sociology

Includes material on the origin, development, organisation and functioning of human society.

Sport and Recreation

Covers fitness, games of chance, sports, games and sociology of recreation.