# Law

Purpose: To support teaching and research at the undergraduate, interdisciplinary level. Law materials are used in the following departments/areas: Political Science, Criminal Justice, Pre-Law, Constitutional Law, Civil Rights, Business Law, Natural Resource Management, Communications Law, Public Administration, Food and Nutrition, Native American Studies, History, International Business, Pharmacy, and Economics. Law materials are also used for general reference purposes.

## General Collection Guidelines:

Languages: English or English translation.

Chronological Guidelines: Although the emphasis is on contemporary affairs, certain areas such as constitutional law require materials dealing with earlier periods.

Geographical Guidelines: Predominantly United States law, from the national to the local level. Materials in comparative foreign legal systems are purchased very selectively.

Treatment of the Subject: The basic components of the collection are statutes, codes, digests, reporters, legal encyclopedias, and monographs on topics in law. Textbooks containing cases and interpretations are purchased selectively.

Types of Material: Materials acquired are in the form of print books, electronic books, and journals and periodicals. United States government documents are collected extensively, as they are the primary source of federal law. The library subscribes to print editions of selected reporters and encyclopedias. Access to statutes, codes, digests, most reporters, other legal materials and law reviews is almost exclusively electronic via Nexis Uni, an electronic full-text database for legal research.

Date of Publication: Current law and interpretations.

Other General Considerations: Access to resources is augmented through the Orbis Cascade Alliance and Interlibrary Loan. WSU does not have a law school. A reciprocal agreement with the University of Idaho Library provides walk-in access to their Law Library holdings and their U.S. regional depository collection.

## Observations and Qualifications by Subject with Collection Level:

All: C(2)

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