

Acquisitions policy of St Antony's College Library

The aim of St Antony's College Library is to provide support for the core reading lists in the Master's courses taken by substantial numbers of the College's students, while maintaining the historic strengths of the Library and the best coverage we can of the areas and disciplines listed below. The Library is committed to respond as quickly as possible to requests for books from students and Fellows provided that the requests are in line with the College's acquisitions policy.

In all fields suggestions are welcome and will be carefully considered. Acquisitions are limited by the resources provided to the Library by the College and external benefactors; decisions also have to take into account the availability of particular publications elsewhere in the University. The Library will not take on new subscriptions to any journals available to members on-line.

The College Library acquisitions policy covers:

- the modern history, politics, economics, society and international relations of Europe, and the European Union;
- the same for East Asia (excluding Japan, which is covered by the Bodleian Japanese Library in the Nissan Institute) and South Asia;
- books in English and other Western European languages on the above disciplines relating to Russia and other countries of the former Soviet Union, as well as Eastern Europe;
- books on African topics which feature largely in masters courses taken by substantial numbers of the College's students;
- international relations;
- economics and development studies, with particular reference to courses taken by substantial numbers of St Antony's students;
- comparative politics and political theory, with particular reference to courses taken by substantial numbers of St Antony's students.
- topical books of general interest in our fields.

The College Library does not acquire works on general philosophical or literary subjects and offers only a limited coverage of British history and politics.