



A Guide to the Curriculum Collection

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Western Connecticut State University



Mission. The Curriculum Collection makes available for review and analysis a current collection of high quality preK-12 instructional materials. This collection serves education students & faculty, pre- and in-service teachers, and the greater university community. Access and effective use is promoted through information dissemination, user education, and outreach activities. Technology is available for previewing materials.

Staffing. The Collection is managed by Jenny Innes, Education Librarian, 405 Haas Library, phone: 837-9141, e-mail: innesg@wcsu.edu. Suggestions for new materials or services are always encouraged. Library instruction sessions focusing on the collection can be scheduled throughout the year.

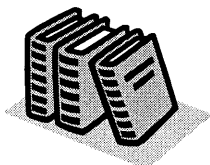
Materials in the Collection Include:

- ↓ Children's & Young Adult Fiction and Literature
- ↓ PreK-12 Non-Fiction and Reference Print Materials
- ↓ Educational and Psychological Measurement Tools
- ↓ Timely Professional Literature and Informational Displays
- ↓ Instructional and Curricular Handbooks and Guides
- ↓ Instructional Kits, Sets, Games
- ↓ Multimedia Teaching Resources
- ↓ K-12 Textbook Samples & accompanying materials

Policies. Borrowers need a current WESTCONNECT ID or library borrower's card. The loan period ranges from 1 to 4 weeks. Those without borrowing privileges may use items within the Library. Reference materials must be used on site.

Organization. Children's and young adult fiction books are organized according to author last name; call numbers begin with the first one or two letters of the last name. Non-fiction, folk literature and poetry volumes are organized following the *Dewey Decimal Classification* system. All other items, including teaching kits, instructional and curriculum handbooks and guides, reference resources and oversized books are in order by the *Library of Congress* call number system.

To learn more about how materials are organized, please refer to the Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress Classification guides posted in the Curriculum Room.



Guide to browsing by call number

Call number format	Material Type
Curr. Rm. Ref. + <LC Call Number> Ex. Curr. Rm. Ref. GR3933 .J86 2000 v.1	K-12 Reference Books
Curr. Rm. Kit + <LC Call Number> Ex. Curr. Rm. Kit QA19.C8 .I58 1983	Instructional Kits, Sets, Modules, & Games
Curr. Rm. + <LC Call Number> Ex. Curr. Rm. Z688.M84 V46 2001	Instructional Handbooks and Guides, Textbooks
Juv. + <first 1-2 Letters of author last name> + <"cutter" number for last name> Ex. Juv. R636.8m	Children's and Young Adult Fiction
Juv. + <DDC Call Number> or Juv. Coll. + <DDC Call Number> Ex. Juv. Coll. 917.2 W418h	K-12 Non-Fiction, Poetry, and Folk Literature

Guide to Browsing in CONSULS by Subject Heading

The CONSULS online catalog allows searching by title, author, keyword, subject heading, or call number. **Subject headings** for Curriculum Room materials include:

<Subject> ~ Juvenile Literature	Ex. Jazz ~ Juvenile Literature
<Subject> ~ Juvenile Fiction	Ex. Gardens - Juvenile Fiction
Children's <literature, stories, plays, songs>	Ex. Children's Songs ~ United States
Education, <educational level>~Activity Programs United States	Ex. Education, Primary ~ Activity Programs ~ United States
<Subject> ~ Study & Teaching	Ex. Mathematics ~ Study and teaching
Multicultural Education ~ <topic>	Ex. Multicultural Education Activity Programs
Teaching ~ Aids and Devices	

Keyword searching can be used when the subject heading is not known, or when you want to access a broader array of materials. Letter case has no effect on search results in CONSULS.



Curriculum Materials on the Web

Check out the Collection website at <http://library.wcsu.edu/web/about/collections/curriculum/>