#### **Patron-Focused Services:**

Models of Collaborative Interlibrary Loan, Collection Development, & Acquisitions

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#### **Presentation Order**

- Concept Overview
- Purdue University Libraries
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- Bibliographers' Analysis (Purdue)
- Questions & Answers

# **ILL Book Borrowing: Traditional Model**

- Borrow book
- A few weeks' use
- Return book

# **Exploring a New Model:** Keep the Book!

- Recently published titles
- Titles not listed in OCLC
- Titles requested by certain patrons, e.g., faculty
- Titles requested multiple times
- Failed ILL transaction (Wisconsin)
- Immediate purchase of books that meet certain criteria (Purdue, T. Crane PL & Wisconsin)

## Why a New Model?

- Fill requests that might otherwise go unfilled
- Enhance the collection based on patrons' expressed needs
- Improve service and patron satisfaction

#### What Is It Called?

- Books on Demand
- Just-in-Time Acquisitions
- Point-of-Need Acquisitions
- Collaborative Collection Development

## Let's explore how it works ...

- Three working models
  - Purdue University Libraries
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## **BOOKS ON DEMAND**

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## **Purdue University**

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- FY 2000/01
  - 2.5 million volumes / 14 libraries
  - Total ILL borrowing filled 2000/01: 28,000
  - Total books added: 14,000
  - Total monograph budget: \$1.1 million

#### **ILL Transaction Costs**

ARL average transaction cost: \$27.83

- Borrower: \$18.35

Lender: \$9.48

## **Just-In-Time Proposed Model**

- Establish acquisitions parameters
- Purchase book from Amazon.com
- Lend to ILL patron
- Catalog returned book for library
- ASSUMPTION: A book that one patron needs will also be useful to others.

## **Pre-Project Analysis I**

- Review recent imprints borrowed through ILL: April – Sept 1999
  - 796 titles published in last 5 years (of 2778 total loans requested)
  - Check 60 random titles in Amazon
    - •\$50 maximum cost
    - Delivery within a week
    - Scholarly work in English

## **Pre-Project Analysis II**

- 18 (30%) of sample titles met criteria
  - Average cost \$26.02 (excluding shipping)
- 18 sample titles:
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- 18 sample titles:
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#### **Proposal Review**

#### Public Services Advisory Committee (PSAC)

- Director for Public Services and Collections
- Public Services department heads (including head of Technical Services)
- Head, Access Services (investigator)

#### **PSAC** Recommendations

- Increase maximum cost per book to \$100
- Increase project funding
- Establish ordering/processing procedures
- Set project evaluation criteria
  - Track subsequent circulation
  - Solicit patron feedback
  - Analyze patrons' departments & status
  - Analyze purchased books

#### **Acquisitions Criteria**

- Published in the last 5 years
- In English
- Scholarly work
- Delivery within a week
- Prefer paperback edition
- Maximum cost \$100

## **Trial Project**

- Began 1/2000 and renewed through present
- \$65,000 allocated from non-recurring funds (through 6/02)

## Workflow, part 1

- ILL ...
  - does title meets criteria?
  - can Amazon supply? Price & Time
  - assigns home library
  - enters record in Clio
- Acquisitions ...
  - places order with Amazon
  - enters "on order" record in OPAC

## Workflow, part 2

- ILL ...
  - receives book directly from Amazon
  - lends book to patron
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## **Major Workflow Objective**

# As little extra or rush processing as possible

## What Did We Buy?

- Health clubs: architecture and design
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#### **More Sample Titles**

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# Trial Project Results: 28 months, part 1

- 1,720 books acquired
- \$37.11 average cost per book
- Average 2 books per patron
- Average turnaround time: identical with traditional loans (8 days)

# Trial Project Results: 28 months, part 2

- Percent by discipline
  - 84% social sciences/humanities
  - 16% sci/tech/engr
- Patron status information
  - 9% undergraduates
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## Trial Project Results: Patron Feedback

- Short questionnaire is distributed with books
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# **Subsequent Circulation: Methodology**

- Compare:
  - Books on Demand titles with Humanities,
     Social Sciences & Education (HSSE) Library
     titles
    - Number acquired and number circulated
    - Percentages

## **Subsequent Circulation:** Results

- 51% of On Demand titles subsequently circulate (26% more than once)
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## **Subsequent Circulation: Caveats**

- HSSE books acquired with different selection criteria
  - Publication dates
  - Language
  - Type, e.g., reference, fiction, poetry
- Same patron may check out the on-demand title after cataloging
- Pattern may be different in other libraries
- Pattern may differ over time

#### **Books per patron**

• 1,720 books & 734 patrons

•	1	patron	28	books

- 1 patron23 books
- 1 patron20 books
- 64 patrons3 books
- 121 patrons 2 books
- 419 patrons1 book

#### **Adjustments & Surprises**

- Workflow
  - Amazon can supply half of books checked
  - Amazon cancellations
  - Downtime
  - Maximum cost
  - Credit card
  - Property stamp

#### **Conclusions**

- Patrons delighted with program
- Turnaround time acceptable
- Project adds relevant titles to collection
- Not as effective for sci/tech titles
- Library staff supportive

#### **Future Directions**

- Continue to apply for funding
- Expand program
  - Chapters?
  - Multiple vendors?
  - Books older than 5 years?

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  - Memorial total ILL borrowing (filled): 27,000+
- Total volumes added: 79,000
  - (excl. Law, Health Sciences, IMC, Hist. Soc.)
- Total materials budget: \$10.1 million
  - Monographic budget: \$2.3 million

#### **Impetus**

- Many institutions exploring effectiveness of access vs. acquisitions models, including:
  - Cost
  - Delivery speed to patron
  - Interaction between patron needs and collection development practices

#### ILL-Rush Acq Initiation

- Library Director asked Acq & ILL staff to develop pilot
- CDO, Director initially allocated \$2,000/yr
- Head of Public Services & ILL staff developed scope
- Selectors approved scope
- ILL & Acq staff developed procedures
- Pilot initiated May 2000
- Came out of pilot Feb 2002

#### **Purpose**

- Gain experience in ILL/Acq linkages
- Rush Acq procedures effective for ILL requests?
- Purchase effective when can't borrow?
- Get materials into patron hands faster?
- Cost effective?
- ILL Librarian effective as selector?
- Viable long-term model?

# Scope of Titles Purchased (After Failed ILL at 5 Libraries)

- In scope for "General Library System"
  - Excludes Law, Medical, American History
- Current year imprint + 2 previous years
  - Changed to current plus 3 years in Feb 02
- Monograph or proceedings
  - Not textbooks, computer manuals
- Price < \$250
- Additional copies permitted

#### ILL-Rush Acquisitions Workflow

- ILL attempts to borrow book
- 5 potential lenders fail to loan book
   (Current year imprints not sent for ILL after Feb 02)
- ILL Librarian refers in scope titles to Acquisitions
- Rush acquisitions/cataloging
- Patron notified by circulation desk
- Patron borrows book

# ILL Details (After 5 lenders unable to fill loan request)

- ILL Librarian:
  - In scope?
  - Which library should book reside in?
- Request flagged in CLIO
- ILL stops work
- Request given to Acquisitions
- Acquisitions takes over request

#### **Rush Acquisitions Overview**

- All patron requests considered rush
- Fulfill patron requests by 'needed by' date provided by patron (or 2 weeks if no date provided)
- Web-based sources preferred
  - Identify availability
  - Rapid delivery
- Pursue multiple sources until received
- Credit card preferred

#### **Acquisitions Details #1**

- Approval item: If not shipped, item 'blocked'.
   Title rush ordered from another source.
- Not approval item: Order staff check availability. Current sequence:
  - Amazon.com
  - Publisher or distributor
  - Out of print sources
  - If foreign, may use vendor
  - If unavailable, request returned to ILL

#### **Acquisitions Details #2**

- Order staff place order
  - Order placed against ILL fund
  - Up to \$15 shipping automatically accepted
  - Patron ID & name, pickup library input to order notes
  - Claim in 14 days if not received
- If not received in 3 weeks, Acquisitions confers with ILL

# Receipt, Processing and Notification Details

- At receipt, patron ID and name removed from order record
- Item rush cataloged/processed
- Item delivered to pickup library
- Circulation desk notifies patron of availability

# Summary Data May 2000-April 2002 (2 years)

<ul> <li>Titles Received</li> </ul>	135
<ul><li>Domestic</li></ul>	108
<ul><li>Foreign</li></ul>	27

• Fulfillment (4 orders unfilled) 97%

Expended (incl. shipping) \$4,976

• Average paid per title \$36.86\*

\*includes average shipping of \$3.85

# Summary Data May 2000-April 2002 (2 years)

Average time
 Acquisitions receives request→circ desk\*

Domestic

8 calendar days

- Foreign

31 calendar days

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 1 day for mailroom receipt, technical services processing and delivery to circ desk

# **Fulfillment by Source**

<ul><li>Amazon.com</li></ul>	57
includes Amazon France and Amazon UK	
<ul><li>Borders*</li></ul>	46
<ul> <li>Barnes and Noble</li> </ul>	14
includes BN.com and store*	
<ul> <li>Foreign Vendor</li> </ul>	10
<ul> <li>Publisher</li> </ul>	5
<ul> <li>Domestic Vendor</li> </ul>	3
*no longer regularly used	

### **Subject Analysis**

- Percent by discipline
  - 79% social sciences/humanities
  - 21% science/technology/engineering
- Largest concentration of titles
  - H classification = 24%
  - P classification = 21%

#### **Circulation Analysis**

- 73% of ILL→Rush Acq titles subsequently circulated (circulated 2 or more times)
- Average Circulation/item: 3.5 times
- 6% of similar books added to the Memorial collection during the same time period had 2 or more circulations

#### **Titles with Highest Circulation**

- Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community
- Handbook of Qualitative Research
- Body for Life
- Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius
- Handbook of Attachment
- Statistical Methods for Categorical Data Analysis
- Games of Strategy
- Holocaust in American Life
- SPSS for Psychologists: A Guide to Data Analysis...
- Psychology and the Internet

#### **Findings**

- Gain experience in ILL/Acq linkages
  - Improved ILL—Acquisitions cooperation
  - Increased understanding of workflows
- Are Rush Acquisitions procedures effective for ILL requests?
  - Domestic titles very successful
  - Foreign titles take more time
- Purchase effective when can't borrow?
  - High fill rate (checked availability)

#### **Findings**

- Get materials to patron faster?
  - Domestic titles acquired quickly
  - ILL before Acq adds patron delay
- Cost effective?
  - Yes; Low shipping costs
- ILL Librarian effective as selector?
  - Quality of items was high; High circulation
- Viable long-term model?
  - Yes

#### **Future**

- Adjust Scope
  - More imprint years
  - Selectively use for foreign imprints?
- Consider Purchase before ILL
- Request increased funds
- When is Acq better than Access (ILL)?
- Assess relevant policies and activities
  - Impact of paper-preferred acquisitions

# BUY IT, YOU'LL LIKE IT

**User-Inspired Collection Development** 

Megan Allen
Thomas Crane Public Library



#### Who Are We?

- A medium-sized public library
  - Total holdings: 539,000
  - Materials budget: \$305,000
- A regional ILL processing center
  - 362 member libraries/80 active borrowing libraries
  - 7,000 borrowing requests filled in 2001

### Why Buy?

Satisfy library users

Obtain items unavailable for ILL

• Increase ILL fill rate

#### The Scheme

 ILL, Acquisitions staff developed working guidelines & procedures

 Regional funds were available for collection development

# When to Buy?

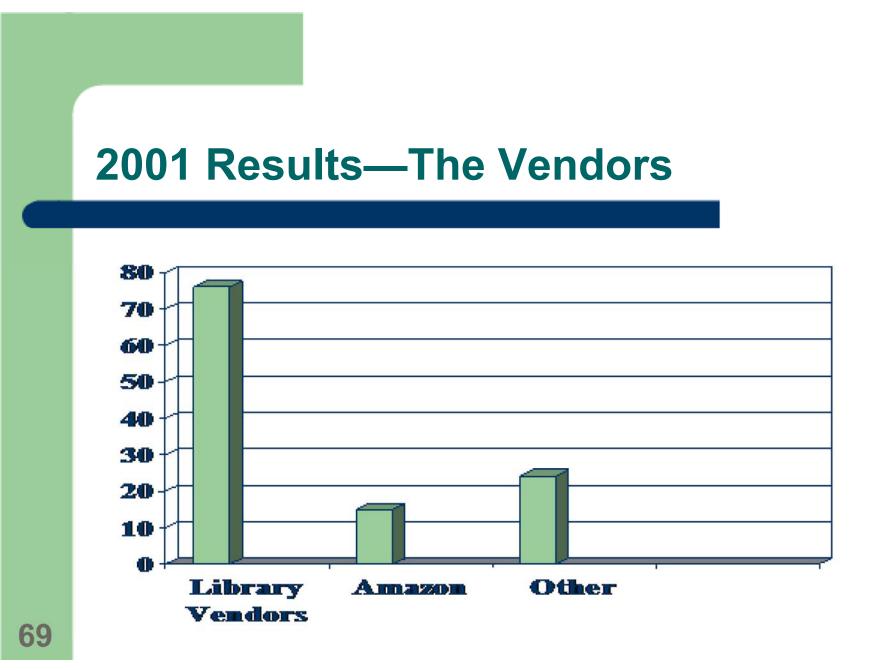
- No potential lender
- All potential lenders exhausted
- Item too new to borrow
- Multiple requests for same item

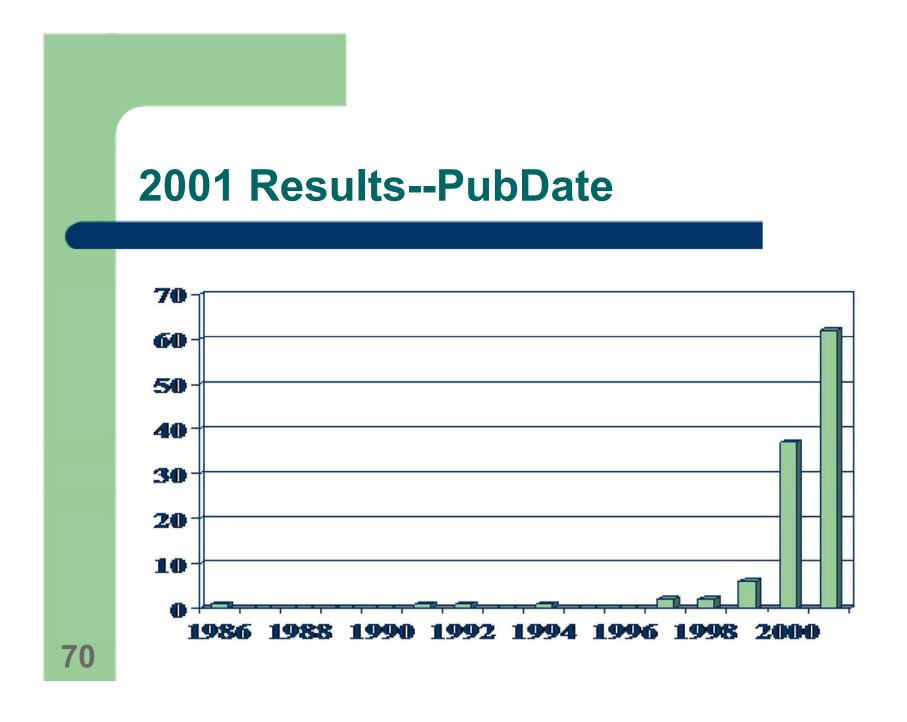
#### **Decision-Making Process**

- ILL Librarian makes the call
- Order clerk orders the item, fastest/cheapest way, unprocessed/uncataloged
- Item circulated to ILL patron
- When returned, item passed to Acquisitions Librarian

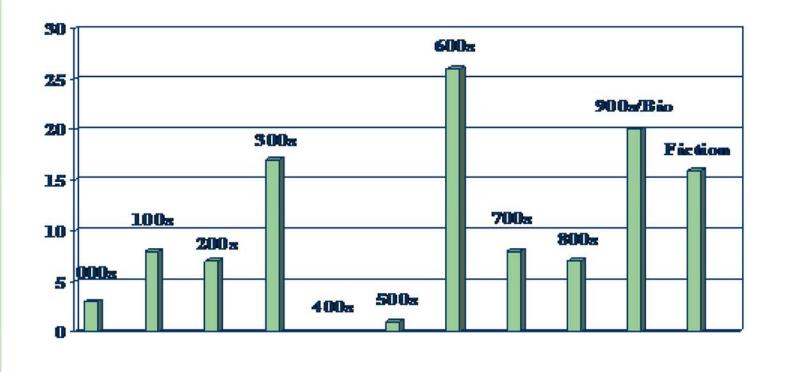
#### 2001 Results—The Numbers

- Number of items purchased: 113
- As percentage of (returnable) ILL requests filled: 2%
- Average cost per item: \$17.00
- Total spent: \$1895





# 2001 Results—Scope



#### **2001 Results—Turnaround Time**

- Purchased items: 69% received in 14 days or less
- ILL items: 73% received in 14 days or less
- Purchased items: 16 days average turnaround time
- ILL items: 9 days average turnaround time

# 1999-2000 Results—Subsequent Use

- 97% added to our collection
- 93% subsequently circulated
- Average circulations per item: 7
- 1999: 35% circulated >10 times
- 2000: 22% circulated >10 times

# **Rolling Readjustments**

- Fewer long orders
- Fewer wacky titles
- More fiction titles
- More audio/visual items
- More online vendors
- Credit card use

# What's Not to Like?

- Library users are happy
- Turnaround time is acceptable
- Cost is reasonable
- High interest items added to collection

# **BOOKS ON DEMAND**

# Purdue University Libraries Bibliographers' Analysis

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# **Books for Patrons in These Disciplines**

231
138
90
71
67
59

# **Totals, 2000-2001**

		Total books	1.447
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	• # in	these discip	olines	656
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- % in these disciplines 45%
- No departmental affiliation

# **Questions**

- How many books fit collection profile?
- For in-scope titles, why not already acquired?
- Probable longevity?
- Publisher type?
- Evidence of interdisciplinary research?

# **More Questions**

- Project titles different from normal acquisitions?
- Refinements to approval plan?
- Perception of collaborative collection development?
- Recommendations?

# **Purdue Bibliographers**

- English
- History
- Foreign Languages
- Political Science
- Management
- Philosophy

- Kristine Anderson
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- Robert Freeman
- Jean-Pierre Herubel
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# Methodology: project data

- Access database of 1,447 titles
  - Bibliographic information
  - Patron status and department
- Enhancements
  - Dewey classification number
  - Publisher type
  - Would have bought? If not, why?
  - Probable longevity

# Methodology: collections data

- Title lists for books acquired normally during same time period
  - Bibliographic information
  - Dewey classification number
  - Circulation activity

# Percent of On-Demand Books Fitting Collection Profile

<ul><li>English</li></ul>	80%
<ul><li>History</li></ul>	99%
<ul> <li>Foreign Languages</li> </ul>	93%
<ul> <li>Political Science</li> </ul>	94%
<ul> <li>Management</li> </ul>	90%
<ul> <li>Philosophy</li> </ul>	88%

# Why not already acquired?

- Budgetary constraints
- "Wet ink" titles
- Interdisciplinary
- Narrow specialty
- Publishers' catalogs not seen

# **Estimated Longevity**

# As long as other books in these subject areas

# **Percentage by Publisher Type**

	Univ Press	Scholarly/ Professional	Popular
English	53	28	19
Foreign Languages	55	34	11
History	64	29	7
Management	36	52	12
Philosophy	50	50	0
Political Science	40	60	0

# Interdisciplinary research?

- FLL patrons: only 23% of books fell in FLL class number ranges
- English & FLL patrons: second highest category (20%) was sociology books
- Management: 40% of books requested by non-Management patrons

# Out-of-scope titles (1-20%)

- Textbooks
- Popular
- Recreational interest
- Extremely narrow subject focus
- Out of scope for discipline, but appropriate for overall collection

# **Comparison with routine orders**

- English much lower % sociology
- History no difference
- FLL (in English) lower % university press
- Management lower % university press
- Philosophy foreign languages
- Political science foreign languages, association publications

# Perceptions of collaborative collection development

- Grad students' input
- Strengthens collection in interdisciplinary area
- Cost effective
- Meets point-of-need requirements
- Fast, easy, seamless
- Vast majority of titles are in scope
- Improved customer service

# Recommendations

- Move project from trial to routine status
- Explore selection criteria expansion
- Adjust approval plan
- Review ILL transactions periodically
- Review circulation records periodically
- Change funding for interdisciplinary programs

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Monographic budget: \$2.3 million

## **Impetus**

Many institutions exploring effectiveness of access vs. acquisitions models, including:

Cost

Delivery speed to patron

Interaction between patron needs and collection development practices

#### ILL→Rush Acq Initiation

Library Director asked Acq & ILL staff to develop pilot

CDO, Director initially allocated \$2,000/yr

Head of Public Services & ILL staff developed scope

Selectors approved scope

ILL & Acq staff developed procedures

Pilot initiated May 2000

Came out of pilot Feb 2002

#### **Purpose**

Gain experience in ILL/Acq linkages

Rush Acq procedures effective for ILL requests?

Purchase effective when can't borrow?

Get materials into patron hands faster?

Cost effective?

ILL Librarian effective as selector?

Viable long-term model?

# Scope of Titles Purchased (After Failed ILL at 5 Libraries)

In scope for "General Library System"

Excludes Law, Medical, American History

Current year imprint + 2 previous years

Changed to current plus 3 years in Feb 02

Monograph or proceedings

Not textbooks, computer manuals

Price < \$250

Additional copies permitted

### ILL-Rush Acquisitions Workflow

ILL attempts to borrow book

5 potential lenders fail to loan book

(Current year imprints not sent for ILL after Feb 02)

ILL Librarian refers in scope titles to Acquisitions

Rush acquisitions/cataloging

Patron notified by circulation desk

Patron borrows book

#### **ILL Details**

### (After 5 lenders unable to fill loan request)

ILL Librarian:

In scope?

Which library should book reside in?

Request flagged in CLIO

ILL stops work

Request given to Acquisitions

Acquisitions takes over request

# **Rush Acquisitions Overview**

All patron requests considered rush

Fulfill patron requests by 'needed by' date provided by patron (or 2 weeks if no date provided)

Web-based sources preferred

Identify availability

Rapid delivery

Pursue multiple sources until received

Credit card preferred

# Acquisitions Details #1

Approval item: If not shipped, item 'blocked'. Title rush ordered from another source.

Not approval item: Order staff check availability. Current sequence:

Amazon.com

Publisher or distributor

Out of print sources

If foreign, may use vendor

If unavailable, request returned to ILL

# **Acquisitions Details #2**

Order staff place order

Order placed against ILL fund

Up to \$15 shipping automatically accepted

Patron ID & name, pickup library input to order notes

Claim in 14 days if not received

If not received in 3 weeks, Acquisitions confers with ILL

# Receipt, Processing and Notification Details

At receipt, patron ID and name removed from order record

Item rush cataloged/processed

Item delivered to pickup library

Circulation desk notifies patron of availability

#### **Summary Data**

# May 2000-April 2002 (2 years)

Titles Received 135

Domestic 108

Foreign 27

Fulfillment (4 orders unfilled) 97%

Expended (incl. shipping) \$4,976

Average paid per title \$36.86\*

\*includes average shipping of \$3.85

Summary Data

# May 2000-April 2002 (2 years)

Average time

Acquisitions receives request→circ desk\*

Domestic 8 calendar days

Foreign 31 calendar days

\*Includes 1 day for mailroom receipt, technical services processing and delivery to circ desk

# Fulfillment by Source

Amazon.com 57

includes Amazon France and Amazon UK

Borders\* 46

Barnes and Noble 14

includes BN.com and store\*

Foreign Vendor 10

Publisher 5

Domestic Vendor 3

\*no longer regularly used

# **Subject Analysis**

Percent by discipline

79% social sciences/humanities

21% science/technology/engineering

Largest concentration of titles

H classification = 24%

P classification = 21%

#### **Circulation Analysis**

73% of ILL→Rush Acq titles subsequently circulated (circulated 2 or more times)

Average Circulation/item: 3.5 times

6% of similar books added to the Memorial collection during the same time period had 2 or more circulations

# **Titles with Highest Circulation**

Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community

Handbook of Qualitative Research

Body for Life

Heartbreaking Work of Staggering Genius

Handbook of Attachment

Statistical Methods for Categorical Data Analysis

Games of Strategy

Holocaust in American Life

SPSS for Psychologists: A Guide to Data Analysis...

Psychology and the Internet

# **Findings**

Gain experience in ILL/Acq linkages

Improved ILL—Acquisitions cooperation

Increased understanding of workflows

Are Rush Acquisitions procedures effective for ILL requests?

Domestic titles very successful

Foreign titles take more time

Purchase effective when can't borrow?

High fill rate (checked availability)

# **Findings**

Get materials to patron faster?

Domestic titles acquired quickly

ILL before Acq adds patron delay

Cost effective?

Yes; Low shipping costs

ILL Librarian effective as selector?

Quality of items was high; High circulation

Viable long-term model?

Yes

#### **Future**

Adjust Scope

More imprint years

Selectively use for foreign imprints?

Consider Purchase before ILL

Request increased funds

When is Acq better than Access (ILL)?

Assess relevant policies and activities

Impact of paper-preferred acquisitions

### BUY IT, YOU'LL LIKE IT

**User-Inspired Collection Development** 

Megan Allen

Thomas Crane Public Library

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#### Who Are We?

A medium-sized public library Total holdings: 539,000 Materials budget: \$305,000

A regional ILL processing center

362 member libraries/80 active borrowing libraries

7,000 borrowing requests filled in 2001

### Why Buy?

Satisfy library users

Obtain items unavailable for ILL

Increase ILL fill rate

#### The Scheme

ILL, Acquisitions staff developed working guidelines & procedures

Regional funds were available for collection development

# When to Buy?

No potential lender

All potential lenders exhausted

Item too new to borrow

Multiple requests for same item

# **Decision-Making Process**

ILL Librarian makes the call

Order clerk orders the item, fastest/cheapest way, unprocessed/uncataloged

Item circulated to ILL patron

When returned, item passed to Acquisitions Librarian

#### 2001 Results—The Numbers

Number of items purchased: 113

As percentage of (returnable) ILL requests filled: 2%

Average cost per item: \$17.00

Total spent: \$1895

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#### 2001 Results--PubDate

## 2001 Results—Scope

### 2001 Results—Turnaround Time

Purchased items: 69% received in 14 days or less

ILL items: 73% received in 14 days or less

Purchased items: 16 days average turnaround time

ILL items: 9 days average turnaround time

### 1999-2000 Results—Subsequent Use

97% added to our collection

93% subsequently circulated

Average circulations per item: 7

1999: 35% circulated >10 times

2000: 22% circulated >10 times

### **Rolling Readjustments**

Fewer long orders

Fewer wacky titles

More fiction titles

More audio/visual items

More online vendors

Credit card use

#### What's Not to Like?

Library users are happy

Turnaround time is acceptable

Cost is reasonable

High interest items added to collection

#### **BOOKS ON DEMAND**

Purdue University Libraries Bibliographers' Analysis

Suzanne M. Ward

Purdue University Libraries

#### **Books for Patrons in These Disciplines**

English 231

History 138

Foreign Languages 90

Political Science 71

Management 67

Philosophy 59

#### Totals, 2000-2001

Total books 1,447

# in these disciplines 656

% in these disciplines 45%

No departmental affiliation 196

#### Questions

How many books fit collection profile?

For in-scope titles, why not already acquired?

Probable longevity?

Publisher type?

Evidence of interdisciplinary research?

#### **More Questions**

Project titles different from normal acquisitions?

Refinements to approval plan?

Perception of collaborative collection development?

Recommendations?

# **Purdue Bibliographers**

English

History

Foreign Languages

Political Science

Management

Philosophy

Kristine Anderson

Larry Mykytiuk

Robert Freeman Jean-Pierre Herubel Judy Nixon

Jean-Pierre Herubel

#### Methodology: project data

Access database of 1,447 titles

Bibliographic information

Patron status and department

Enhancements

Dewey classification number

Publisher type

Would have bought? If not, why?

Probable longevity

# Methodology: collections data

Title lists for books acquired normally during same time period

Bibliographic information

Dewey classification number

Circulation activity

# **Percent of On-Demand Books Fitting Collection Profile**

English 80%

History 99%

Foreign Languages 93%

Political Science 94%

Management 90%

Philosophy 88%

# Why not already acquired?

**Budgetary constraints** 

"Wet ink" titles

Interdisciplinary

Narrow specialty

Publishers' catalogs not seen

#### Estimated Longevity

As long as other books in these subject areas

### Percentage by Publisher Type

## Interdisciplinary research?

FLL patrons: only 23% of books fell in FLL class number ranges

English & FLL patrons: second highest category (20%) was sociology books

Management: 40% of books requested by

non-Management patrons

# Out-of-scope titles (1-20%)

Textbooks

Popular

Recreational interest

Extremely narrow subject focus

Out of scope for discipline, but appropriate for overall collection

# Comparison with routine orders

English – much lower % sociology

History – no difference

FLL (in English) – lower % university press

Management – lower % university press

Philosophy – foreign languages

Political science – foreign languages, association publications

# Perceptions of collaborative collection development

Grad students' input

Strengthens collection in interdisciplinary area

Cost effective

Meets point-of-need requirements

Fast, easy, seamless

Vast majority of titles are in scope

Improved customer service

#### Recommendations

Move project from trial to routine status

Explore selection criteria expansion

Adjust approval plan

Review ILL transactions periodically

Review circulation records periodically

Change funding for interdisciplinary programs

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