

**SOCIAL WORK LIBRARY  
ANNUAL REPORT FY 2006-2007**

**Mission**

This branch of the University of Tennessee Libraries exists to support research and instructional needs of the Nashville location of the UT College of Social Work. The branch collection of about 20,000 volumes is augmented by delivery of materials from the Knoxville collection and access for students and faculty to Vanderbilt University and other regional libraries. The Social Work Library in Nashville provides circulation, reserve, reference, and instructional services. Provision of electronic materials is a growing part of the strategy for delivering information to its graduate student and faculty clientele.

**Clientele**

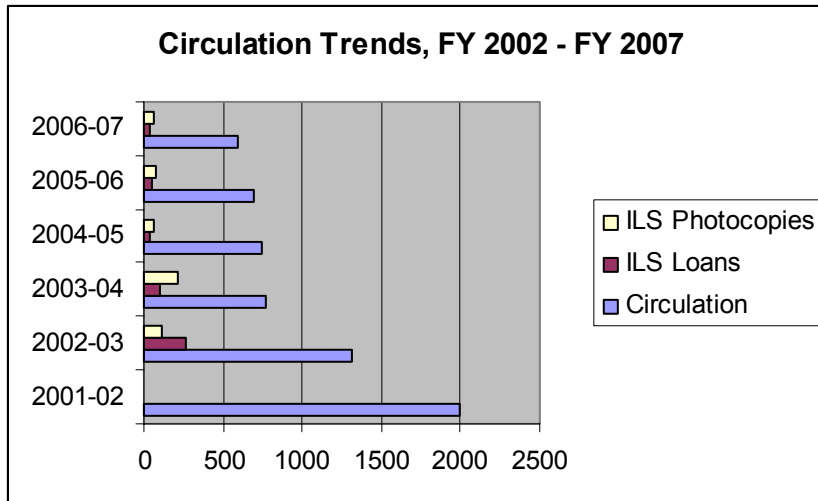
The Nashville campus had 146 graduate students this year compared to 156 last year:

- 69 Extended Study Program
- 31 Full-time 1<sup>st</sup> year
- 30 Full-time 2<sup>nd</sup> year
- 16 Advanced Standing

**Library Operations**

- **Circulation Statistics:** 594 items
- **Interlibrary Loans:** 44 items sent; 64 photocopies filled

FY	Circulation	ILS Loans	ILS Photocopies
2001-02	2001		
2002-03	1319	267	115
2003-04	776	106	212
2004-05	747	44	64
2005-06	689	50	72
2006-07	594	44	64



There has been an obvious decline in use of the print collection. However, we do not have data to report for use of databases. For next year, we will explore whether data can be extracted for our databases and web sites based on location of the user. Use of electronic resources by these graduate students is of interest in light of the declining use of print materials.

### **Bibliographic Instruction**

9 BI sessions were given during the academic year. Because of time constraints during new student orientation week, intensive bibliographic instruction is now being given to the SW 506 Research Methods class, which every new student is required to take. This ensures that all new students receive BI, and receive it at a time when it is most effective and needed.

In addition, two new faculty members received in-depth instruction in the various library databases and the online catalog in order to assist their research projects. Reference assistance is given year round to all faculty, staff and students.

### **Student Library Assistants**

We had three SLAs this academic year: Christi Underdown, Amyliza de Jesus, and Amy Knight.

### **Collections**

We are continuing to add to the collection in several subject areas. This year we paid special attention to books and videos regarding immigrant and refugee issues to support some new programs in the College of Social Work that have been launched to keep pace with Nashville's growing immigrant population.

Journal Collection, FY 06-07:

11 subscriptions were cancelled this fiscal year, either because they are available online or because they are held in Knoxville.

- 216 journal titles with print backfiles held
- 30 current subscriptions in print
- Usage: 115 print issues used from 40 titles

➤ Most frequently used print journals in FY 06-07:

	<u># Uses</u>
1. J. of Social Work Education	11
2. International Social Work	9
3. School Social Work Journal	8
4. J. of Family Violence	8

All others had 6 or fewer usages for the year.

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**Goals for Social Work Library, 2007-2008**

To continue to maintain the Social Work Library's web site.

To continue updating the collection in several fields identified during the weeding project.