

Heafey Law Library
Santa Clara University School of Law
Foreign and Comparative Law Collection Guidelines

The collection development policy for the Heafey Law Library was last revised in 2007 in preparation for a 2008 ABA site visit. We are a small library with fewer than 375,000 volumes. Our primary collection development goal is to support Santa Clara Law's curriculum – which regularly includes classes in international law, international organizations, and Chinese commercial law -- and the research needs of our faculty and visiting scholars.

Our most extensive holdings for non-U.S. jurisdictions are materials from Canada, the United Kingdom, and the European Union. We collect foreign law in translation via multivolume, multijurisdictional loose leafs in subject areas of particular interest to our faculty and students. We collect very little that is not in English.

Since 2008, in the faltering economy, we have discontinued print subscriptions to many domestic and foreign/international materials which we are able to obtain electronically. Plans to expand, e.g., our holdings of common law treatises have been put on hold.

We do continue to select Chinese commercial materials and Chinese intellectual property materials. We now subscribe to LexisNexis China.