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Henderson Library subscription & database review

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We would like to extend our appreciation to all the academic departments that participated in the two rounds of electronic database and journal subscription reviews. We deeply regret the necessity for these reductions and hope the state's economy will rebound soon so we may begin building our collections again.

Our budget shortfall originally totaled \$478,751.60, and it appeared we would have to reduce our monographic spending and discontinue all database and journal subscriptions that were designated "not needed" or "desirable." However, we are very grateful that Provost Gary Means has allocated \$125,000 from online course tuition funds, which reduces our shortfall substantially and enables us to keep some of the titles we know are needed, based on your feedback.

By going to <https://library.georgiasouthern.edu/subscriptionreview/> you will find the lists of current database and journal subscriptions, with the titles to be cut indicated with the "current cost" highlighted in yellow, and the titles to be converted to "online only" with the "online only cost" highlighted in green.

Titles with no highlights are to be renewed.

In most cases, the journal titles to be discontinued will not disappear until January 1, 2010, although some titles will have to be canceled separately on various dates. The database expiration dates are noted on the database cancellation list, along with our best alternative resources in those subject areas. Again, we regret the loss of these titles and our inability to add new titles at the present time. Our Interlibrary Loan and GIL Express personnel will continue to provide the fastest, most efficient, and least expensive document delivery service possible, and we invite partners for private fund raising ventures and grant proposals that could add new and restore lost information resources that you need.

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