What is a periodical? A periodical is a magazine, journal, newspaper, or similar item.

Does the Library own all periodicals? No, it does not.

Is there a list of all the Library’s periodicals? Yes. The best list of the Library’s periodical subscriptions is the online Periodical List search. It identifies whether a periodical is available in print at the Library or electronically through a database/vendor. The search page is accessible directly at http://www.library.txstate.edu/research/periodical-list.html or through the Databases page.

Comparative Literature Studies is available as a Print/Microfiche/Microfilm subscription and is also available as a Full Text/Electronic journal.

** Not every journal is available in both Print/Microfiche/Microfilm and electronically. **

Example entry from the Locating Periodicals online list:

** Periodical List **

Lists all full-text options (online, print, microform) for periodicals owned or subscribed by the Alkek Library

♦ Print Holdings displays if the journal is available as a bound periodical in the Library. Some journals may also be available on Microfiche or Microfilm. ♦ The Print Holdings shows that bound/paper copies of the journal starting with vol. 6 & continuing to the present are available. ♦ PN 851 .C63 is the call number. ♦ Open dashes (v.6- ) (1969- ) indicate the Library has a current subscription in this format.

♦ The journal may be available electronically through various databases/vendors.

♦ This journal is available through the database Academic Search Premier from 2003-.

Periodical Locations:

3rd floor ..... Current issues – Shelved alphabetically by title.

..... Microfiche/film – Shelved in cabinets by call number.

..... Bound periodicals dated 1980 or newer

5th floor ..... All bound periodicals 1979 and older with call numbers beginning with letters (A – J)

6th floor ..... All bound periodicals 1979 and older with call numbers beginning with letters (K – Q)

7th floor ..... All bound periodicals 1979 and older with call numbers beginning with letters (R - Z)

The word EMBARGO means the publisher of the journal and the database vendor Ebsco/Academic Search Premier have an agreement that the journal will not have full text availability for the time period specified (in the example above it is the most current 6 months).
THIRD FLOOR MAP

Media Collection/
Open Reserve

Print Indexes to Microforms & Newspapers

Reserve, Periodicals &
Media
Service Counter

Current Issues
of
Magazines & Journals
(Alphabetical by Title)

Current Newspapers (Alphabetical by Title)

Bound Journals and Magazines
Dated 1980 and Newer
Shelved by Call Number

ERIC Microfiche
Collection

Microfiche Periodicals &
Test Collection

Microfilm
Collection

Microfiche/ Film
Reader – Printers
Media Viewing
Equipment

Print Indexes to
Microforms &
Newspapers

Office
380

Stairs

Elevators

Open Access
Computer

Photocopiers

Restrooms

Popular
Magazines

Office
350

Office
349

Office
310

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