



Using Bowker's Book Analysis System (BBAS)

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About

BBAS is an online tool that allows you to easily compare the titles owned by Trexler Library against those listed in [Resources for College Libraries \(RCL\)](#), which is the premier recommendation list for college libraries. The resource includes over 85,000 titles in 117 subjects. The hand-selected list is continuously updated with the input of over 400 subject editors, bibliographers and referees. The list consists mostly of books (print and electronic) but other formats are included.

Go to: [Selection policy for RCL](#)

How to use BBAS or learn more about it

You must have access to the internet. On- or off-campus, follow these instructions:

1. Go to: <http://www.bbanalysis.com>
2. The menu you will see on the left links to more information and to BBAS itself
3. To use BBAS, click on the first link, "Access Book Analysis System"
4. Login as *Username: general*
Password: logmein
5. On the next screen, you will see:

Compare Your Collection to...

Resources for College Libraries
Items recommended for Academic Libraries of all sizes

Resources for College Libraries - Career Resources
Items recommended for community and junior colleges and equivalent institutions.

Go

Check this box and click "Go"

6. You should now see this screen. Please make the selections listed in a, b:

Percentages of Core Lists Selected

Your File: 2009 April Muhlenberg College Subject Classification System RCL Go

These limiters will help you narrow the scope of your comparison:

Awards:	Review Source:	RCL Audience:	RCL Format:	LEGEND:
Any Award ABC Children's Booksellers Choices Awards Academy Award, Best Actor	Any Source API Reviews BIOSIS	Any Audience Upper Undergrad Lower Undergrad	Any Format Book CD-ROM	+ Expand - Collapse • Expand Entire Subject

Winners Nominees E-book only In Print Title Only Exact Match Only

Publication Year: (YYYY)
from [] to [] Clear Go

a b

Core Lists: Resources for College Libraries - Total Records: 0

- Your File:** choose the most recent file from the drop down list
- Subject Classification System:** Choose how you would like to see the books grouped: by academic subject (RCL), by Dewey Numbers, or by LC (Library of Congress Numbers)

- c. Optionally, you may add any other limits available.
- d. When finished, click 

7. You should now see a table with 5 columns. "Core Titles" means titles recommended in RCL.

Core Lists: Resources for College Libraries - Total Records: 69,608

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RCL Classification	Core Titles in Library	Core Titles NOT in Library	Total # of Core Titles	% of Core Titles Held
GRAND TOTALS:	18,480	51,128	69,608	26.55%
• + AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES	159	553	712	22.33%
• + AFRICAN HISTORY, LANGUAGES, AND LITERATURES	89	478	567	15.70%
• + AGRICULTURE	134	724	858	15.62%
• + AMERICAN LITERATURE	1,004	1,991	2,995	33.52%

Column 1: Dewey/RCL/LC Classification: shows the list of subjects for the subject class you chose.

Column 2: Core Titles in Library: a count of RCL recommended titles that *owned by Trexler Library* for the subject area.

Column 3: Core Titles NOT in Library: a count of those titles that recommended by RCL but are *NOT owned by Trexler Library* for the subject area.

Column 4: Total # of Core Titles: the fourth column is a count of the *total number of RCL recommended titles* for the subject area.

Column 5: % of Core Titles Held: the fifth column represents the *percentage of titles owned by Trexler Library*.

Percentages of Core Lists Selected


Your File: 2013 June Muhlenberg College Subject Classification System RCL [Go](#)

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Awards: <input type="checkbox"/> Any Award <input type="checkbox"/> ABC Children's Booksellers Choices Awards <input type="checkbox"/> Academy Award, Best Actor	Review Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Any Source <input type="checkbox"/> API Reviews <input type="checkbox"/> BIOSIS	RCL Audience: <input type="checkbox"/> Any Audience <input type="checkbox"/> Upper Undergrad <input type="checkbox"/> Lower Undergrad	RCL Format: <input type="checkbox"/> Any Format <input type="checkbox"/> Book <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM	LEGEND: <input type="checkbox"/> Expand <input type="checkbox"/> Collapse <input type="checkbox"/> Expand Entire Subject
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Publication Year: (YYYY) from to [Clear](#) [Go](#)

Set limits here 

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8. Optionally, you can set limits to show only titles that meet certain criteria. To reset/change limits, you must first "Clear" your previous limits.

9. Drill down to more specific subjects by clicking on the "+" in the left column. This will expand the listing to the second level. For some subject areas, you will see another plus, which means you can drill down to a third level.

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- AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES	0	0	0	0.00%
African Diaspora	7	28	35	20.00%
Anthropology and Archeology	2	10	12	16.67%
+ Art	17	24	41	41.46%
Biography	13	53	66	19.70%
Civilization	0	2	2	0.00%
Communication	4	6	10	40.00%
Economics	3	12	15	20.00%
Education	2	13	15	13.33%

10. The numbers in the columns are hyperlinked. The link takes you to a title list including detailed results for each title included in the count. On the detailed results page, you can:

- Sort** the list by any of the column headings. Click on the column heading to sort. To reverse the order of the list, click on the column heading again after the initial sort finishes.
- Limit** the number of fields that display for the results page. Simply uncheck the boxes of the fields you don't wish to display on this page and click **GO**.

Core Lists Resources for College Libraries Subject: African Diaspora
1-28 of 28 rows (Click on any header to sort this report)

Title	Author	Publisher	Dewey	ISBN13	Price	Format	Pub Year	RCL Form
African Diaspora and the Metropolis: Reading the African, African American and Caribbean Experience	Demissie, Fassil	ROULEDGE	304.8601732	978-0-415-56034-4	USD 125.00	Trade Cloth	2009	Book
Africana Studies: A Survey of Africa and the African Diaspora	Azevedo, Mario	CAROLINA ACADEMIC PRESS	960	978-0-89089-485-9	USD 50.00	Trade Paper	2005	Book
Afro-Atlantic Dialogues: Anthropology in the Diaspora	Yelvington, Kevin A.	BOYDELL & BREWER, LIMITED	305.8/00954	978-0-85255-978-9	AUD 49.95	Trade Paper	2005	Book
Between the Lines:		OVERB...						

Click title to go to Books in Print information

11. In the detailed results, each title is hyperlinked to a fuller record in *Books in Print* where you will find a description of the item, reviews (if available), and other information.

Download a list to Excel

You can download any of the lists to save in an Excel file on your computer. Click on the **Download** link which is near the top of the screen on the right side. Follow the pop-up box instructions to save or open the file on your computer.

Audience: Undergrad. Undergrad.

Title Level: (eBk)ebook Status Awards Reviewed

Clear **Go**

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Tip: By clicking on the bullet (•) next to the "+", you can break out a subject into its own tab/window and see grand totals for that subject. The search limit options will not be available in this breakout.

Main display

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+ Art	17	24	
Biography	13	53	
Civilization	0	2	
Communication	4	6	

Breakout display

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Core Lists: Resources for College Libraries

Top Subject: AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

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Anthropology and Archeology	3	9	12	25.00%
Art	3	8	11	27.27%
Performing Arts/Cinema/Television	7	8	15	46.67%
Visual Arts	8	9	17	47.06%
Biography	14	52	66	21.21%
Civilization	0	2	2	0.00%
Communication	4	6	10	40.00%
Economics	3	12	15	20.00%