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The Texas A&M University Libraries gladly considers donations of the following materials:

- The University Libraries welcome gifts of **books written by Texas A&M faculty and staff**. These items can be sent to the Libraries' Collection Development Librarian, Simona Tabacaru, stabacaru@library.tamu.edu.
- The Libraries will also accept **unique items in good condition** that are of critical research interest to the University, which are not currently held in our general collection, and which are not commercially available. Please see the appropriate subject specialist for these materials.
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Apart from the exceptions above, the Libraries are no longer able to accept donations of books and other materials. This change in policy is aligned with the Libraries strategic initiative to provide digital content when appropriate to enable optimal access to resources and materials. The Libraries' space constraints and the high costs associated with evaluating and processing donated materials are also factors in revising our gift policy.

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To address questions related to this policy, please contact: Simona Tabacaru, Collection Development Librarian at stabacaru@library.tamu.edu, 979-845-8850.