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- Links to Kentucky Information:  
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- KERA (Kentucky Education Reform  
Act):  
[www.wku.edu/library/kera/](http://www.wku.edu/library/kera/)
- Kentucky Information in Cyberspace . .  
. . Piecing It All Together:  
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# *Government Documents & Law at WKU*



WKU has been a federal documents depository since 1934, collecting approximately 60% of the federal documents available through the Government Printing Office.

Located on the ground floor of Helm Library, the Government Documents Collections are accessible any time the main library is open. The documents are in many formats: print, microfiche, CD-ROM, video cassette, DVD, and on the web.

Since federal documents have only recently been included in TOPCAT, the online catalog, please seek assistance at the Documents Processing Offices (Rooms 1, 2, 4, 13 or 15) on the ground floor of Helm Library or the Reference Center on the first floor

Most of the government documents may be checked out with a WKU ID.



The Kentucky Commonwealth does not have a documents depository system, however, WKU Library collects as many Kentucky Documents as possible. They are cataloged into TOPCAT.



The majority of the Law Collection contains statutes, regulations, and court decisions. Legal encyclopedias, dictionaries, journals, and a limited number of subject treatises and loose-leaf services may be found here as well.

Lexis-Nexis is available to all patrons on campus through the Library's E-Resources link at [Http://www.wku.edu/library](http://www.wku.edu/library). Off campus access is restricted to WKU Faculty, Staff and Students. Directions for accessing Lexis and other databases off campus is available through the Library's E-Resources link above.

Although the Documents and Law Collections are accessible all hours the library is open, reference service is available during the following times:

Fall & Spring semesters:  
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Monday -Thursday 8 a.m.-9 p.m.;  
Fridays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sundays 2 p.m.-10 p.m.

Help is also available in the Reference Center, Helm 1st floor.

Law Collection materials do not circulate.



Appointments for reference assistance or Research Instruction may be made by contacting the Government Information & Law Coordinator:

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