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Special Collections begins forming Pop Culture Collection

Dear Subscriber,

The Special Collections Department is currently creating a collection of popular culture materials initially formed with a gift of science fiction novels from Dean Daniel R. Rubey. A subsequent gift of comic books, as well as purchases of novels in specific popular culture themes has already formed the basis of a significant collection.



In the United States, the academic study of popular culture has increased greatly since the 1960s. Graphic novels, comics and science fiction have all been examined for their social commentary, artistry and depictions of local and world events and many of our faculty use these materials as part of their curriculum.

As an introduction to the collection, visit our exhibition of posters located on the lower level of Axinn Library in the student lounge, which we created from the covers of graphic novels, comics and books all in the science fiction genre. The colorful depiction of flight to other planets, robots and alien beings places each of the items squarely in the realm of science fiction.

While the Popular Culture Collection will be cataloged and available for study in our Reading Room (which is located on the lower level of Axinn Library, room 032) please note that we are still actively collecting in this genre! If you have materials that you think would be appropriate for the Pop Culture Collection, please call the Special Collections Department at: 516-463-6411 to discuss.

Sincerely,

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Have questions? Need help with your research? The Axinn Library Reference Desk is the place to start.
Contact a Reference Librarian at 516.463.5962 or via [email](#).

