

## Course Reserves 2007 – 2008

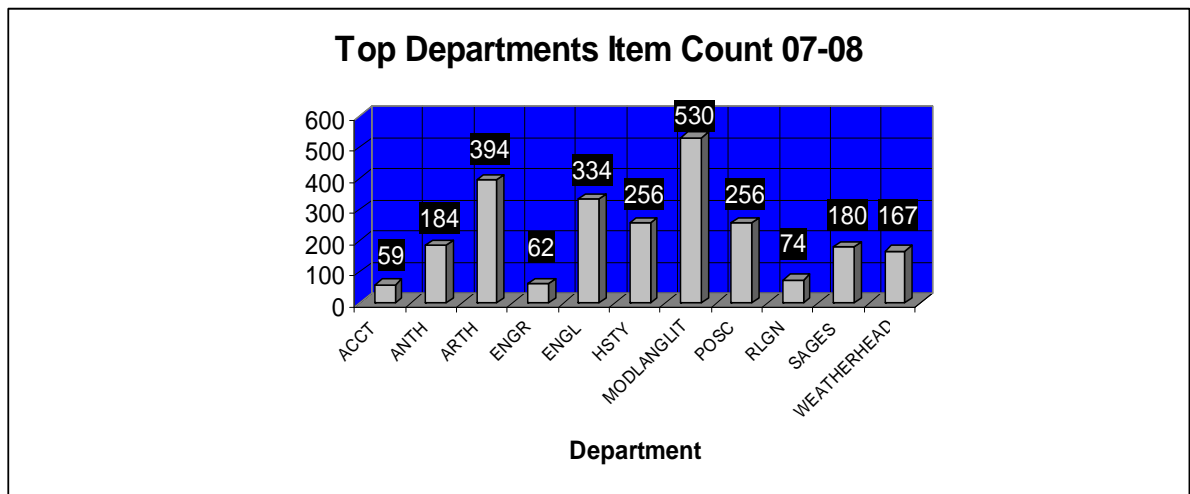
### Supplementing Class Instruction

Spring 2007, Kelvin Smith Library (KSL) launched a new Course Reserves system. It allows instructors more flexibility in loading materials of various formats and provides real-time tracking of their submissions.

KSL partners with faculty and accepts selected items “on reserve” for quick and reliable access. Physical items like books and media are available during normal library hours for a period of time specified by the faculty member to meet the shared needs of the students for their assignments. Students have 24x7 online access to electronic resources via the internet using their network ID and password for authentication.

### Benefits and Features

- Electronic item submissions are accepted 24x7
- Items are reviewed to ensure copyright compliance
- Ease of use; alerts and quick links available within the application
- Offers an efficient and cost effective means of delivery
- Paperless storage and tracking
- Ability to integrate with Blackboard
- Recognizes an unlimited number of file formats



Although materials on reserve vary each semester, it is interesting to note the distribution and types of items utilized. There is a 3-5% decrease in the number of books and e-reserves with a 9% increase in the number of electronic resources.

