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Student Put On Probation

A two-year probation sentence has been given to a former University student from Corpus Christi, Teodoro Rodriguez Estrada. He admitted Thursday that he stole valued books from the University library to sell them to several book dealers.

Pleading guilty to a charge of theft before Criminal District Court Judge Mace Thurman Jr., Estrada said he sold the stolen books because he was "in dire need of money."

Estrada admitted in a signed statement that he took an estimated 130 books while he worked in the University library as a clerical assistant. He received approximately \$500 for those he sold.

He said he has made complete restitution of the amounts he was paid.

The theft indictment came from a charge brought by security officers from the Department of Public Safety that he had stolen a 200-year-old bok, published in Mexico in 1754, from a University collection.