

GUIDE TO WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

AN INTRODUCTION:

University Archives is comprised of over 250 unique collections that chronicle the history of both Washington University and the St. Louis communities from 1853 to present day. Our collections feature manuscripts, books, prints, fine art, photographic prints, negatives, film, sound recordings, microfilm, and artifacts. Many of our collections are detailed in electronic finding aids (<http://library.wustl.edu/units/spec/archives/guides/>), and further augmented by a catalogued reference collection of books and numerous ready-reference files.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Our street address:
Washington University Archives
West Campus Library
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St. Louis, MO 63105

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(314) 935-8320

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spec@wumail.wustl.edu

Web:

<http://library.wustl.edu/units/spec/archives/>

HOURS:

8:30 to 5:00; Monday through Friday (Except for University Holidays)

USING OUR COLLECTIONS:

University Archives maintains a staffed and private reading room designed for patrons to use our collections. As our collections often contain one-of-a-kind and/or fragile items, patrons are asked to read and complete a Patron Use Form (Form-No-02) to expedite retrieval and to aid in service.

Items from our collections do not circulate.

Some materials may be reproduced at the discretion of the archives staff.

CLASSES:

University Archives eagerly supports the Washington University academic community in its teaching endeavors. Arrangements can be made for classes to be held in University Archives, and staff are available to make presentations about our holdings or work with faculty who are interested in including archival material in their curriculum. Our reading room will easily accommodate a group of twenty. For larger groups, scheduled conference room space is available by contacting the West Campus Library.

EXHIBITIONS:

Select items from University Archives collections are on display in both our reading room atrium and the West Campus Library lobby. Occasionally, University Archives contributes material to exhibitions held in the Department of Special Collections at Olin Library.

University Archives also has some online exhibitions

(<http://www.library.wustl.edu/units/spec/exhibits/>).

SOME POPULAR WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- *Student Life* (1878-Present)
- *Hatchet* Yearbooks (1903-Present)
- *Washington University Record* (1974-Present)
- *Washington University Magazine* and Predecessors (1920-Present)
- *Ternion* and *Chimes* Telephone Directories (1920-Present)
- *Washington University Annual Catalogues* (1856-Present)
- *Washington University Assembly Series Lectures* as Sound Recordings (1949-Present)
- Historic Photographic Prints and Negatives of Campus Life, Events, and Buildings

SOME POPULAR HISTORIC WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE, FACULTY AND ALUMNI COLLECTIONS:

- Daniel Bolef Papers
- Robert Brookings Papers
- Arthur Holly Compton Personal Papers
- William Greenleaf Eliot Papers
- Eugene Feenberg Papers
- Jules Henry Papers
- Al Parker Collection
- Arthur Proetz Papers
- Harold Rosenthal Papers
- Richard Rudner Papers
- Harold Spiegelberg Papers
- Mary Wickes Papers

SOME POPULAR HISTORIC ST. LOUIS COLLECTIONS:

- Harris Armstrong Architectural Renderings
- Harland Bartholomew and Associates City Planning Manuals
- William Bernoudy Architectural Renderings
- Monsanto Company Records (1901-Present)
- St. Louis Car Company Collection
- St. Louis Eads Bridge Mechanical Drawings (1874)
- St. Louis Mayoral Files (1944-81; A. Kaufmann; R. Tucker; A. Cervantes; J. Poelker; and, J. Conway)
- St. Louis Union Station Architectural Renderings (1,500 original renderings)
- Russell Sturgis 19th-Century Photographic Prints (16,000 prints of subjects world-wide)
- Urban League of St. Louis Papers

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