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Guide to the University of Chicago Student Organizations and Activities Collection 1893-1920



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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract	This collection documents student life and organizations from the university's founding to the early 21st century. This includes material from Student Union, Reynolds Club, Inter-Fraternity Council and Fraternities, as well as smaller student clubs, publications, and events on campus. Materials date from 1893 to 2019, with the bulk of the material dating between 1946 and 1968. Researchers are encouraged to cross reference the Office of Student Activities. Records.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: University of Chicago. Student Organizations and Activities. Collection, [Box #, Folder #], Hanna Holborn Gray Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Scope Note

The collection has been organized into five series: Series I: Student Activities - General, Series II: Student Union, Series III: Reynolds Club, Series IV: Fraternities and Inter-Fraternity Council, and Series V: Oversized. It contains booklets, bound volumes, brochures, correspondence, directories, event programs, invitations, fliers, meeting minutes, newspaper clippings, and official administrative reports, and posters.

Series I: Student Activities - General, focuses broadly on university policies and programs regarding student life, including student clubs, events, and publications, not accounted for in the larger organizations elsewhere in the collection. Series II: Student Union, details the work of Student Union in the mid-twentieth century, with a heavy emphasis on event organization

and the evolving purpose and role of Student Union on campus. Series III: Reynolds Club, presents early histories, constitutions, and formal records from shortly after the club's founding. Series IV: Fraternities and Inter-Fraternity Council, details the inner workings of fraternity life at the University, including membership records from the early twentieth century as well as official regulations and reports regarding fraternity organization and actions. Series V: Oversized, includes bound volumes, newspaper clippings, and event posters related to material from the other four series.

Related Resources

Subject Headings

- University of Chicago - History
- University of Chicago. Office of Student Activities
- University of Chicago - Students
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- College students -- United States -- Conduct of life
- Fraternities & sororities
- Student activities
- Student activities--United States--Handbooks, manuals, etc.
- Student movements
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INVENTORY

Series I: Student Activities - General, 1893-2019

This series provides a broad picture of Student Activities at the University of Chicago through student policies, handbooks, and other official documentation as well as material from student organizations and events on campus.

In Subseries I: Student Clubs, folders are organized alphabetically by organization name and contain constitutions, correspondence, event fliers, records and reports related to the respective club. Note that materials from graduate specific clubs may be found in Folder 21: Graduate Clubs - Various.

Subseries II: Student Events, is organized by event type ("Visual Arts," "Dances and Formals," "Draft Related" etc.). This subseries primarily contains fliers and posters. For oversized material, see Boxes 9-10.

Subseries III: Student Publications, includes The Baby Phoenix, Frosh and Soph, The Daily Maroon, Cap and Gown, and material related more broadly to student publications on campus.

Materials date from 1893 to 2019.

Subseries 1: General Information

Box 1

Folder 1

Student Codes, Policies, and Handbooks, 1919-1963

Box 1

Folder 2

Student Tours, 1940's

Box 1

Folder 3

Brochures, 1996-2009

Box 1

Folder 4

ORCSA, 2006-2011

Box 1

Folder 5

Miscellaneous, 1939-1965

Subseries 2: Student Clubs

Box 1

Folder 6

Student Activities Handbooks and Organization Lists, 1984-1996

Box 1

Folder 7

Art Club, 1948-1953

Box 1

Folder 8

Asian Students Union, 2004

Box 1

Folder 9

Biology Club, 1925

Box 1

Folder 10

Campus Crusade for Christ, 2004

Box 1

Folder 11

Chicago Experimental College, 1969

Box 1

Folder 12

Christian Ecumenical Council, 1968

Box 1

Folder 13

Classical Club, 1897-1908

Box 1

Folder 14

Debating Society, 1978

Box 1

Folder 15

Ellis Co-Op, 1943

Box 1

Folder 16

Engineering Society, 2000's

Box 1

Folder 17

Flying Club, 1941

Box 1

Folder 18

Folklore Society, 1960

Box 1

Folder 19

The Giving Tree, 1993

Box 1

Folder 20

Graduate Club, 1890's

Box 1

Folder 21

Graduate Clubs - various, 1924-1946

Box 1

Folder 22

Hillel, 1968-2004

Box 1

Folder 23

India Association, 1950-1968

Box 1

Folder 24

Internationals Together, undated

Box 1

Folder 25

Intervarsity Christian fellowship, 1968

Box 1

Folder 26

Inter-Organizational Council, 1945

Box 1

Folder 27

Japanese Club, 1914

Box 1

Folder 28

Mandolin Club, 1897-1903

Box 1

Folder 29

Middle East Center Students Association, 1968

Box 1

Folder 30

Muslim Students Association, 1968

Box 1

Folder 31

Negro Students Club, undated

Box 1

Folder 32

New Testament Club, 1924-1969

Box 1

Folder 33

Ombudsman, 1968

Box 1

Folder 34

Oratorical Association, 1898-1915

Box 1

Folder 35

Our Tuesday Visitor, 1938

Box 1

Folder 36

Owl and Serpent, 1917-1981

Box 1

Folder 37

Political Science Council, 1931

Box 1

Folder 38

Politics Club, 1949-1951

Box 1

Folder 39

Pre-Med Club, 1968

Box 1

Folder 40

Prohibition Club, 1920's

Box 2

Folder 1

Psychology Club, 1950-1957

Box 2

Folder 2

Republican Club, 1947

Box 2

Folder 3

Sailing Club, 2004

Box 2

Folder 4

Science Fiction Society, 1968

Box 2

Folder 5

Ski Club, 1968

Box 2

Folder 6

Slavonic Club, 1959

Box 2

Folder 7

Social Service Administration Club, 1936

Box 2

Folder 8

Student Tutors Elementary Project, 1960's

Box 2

Folder 9

Student Association, 1945

Box 2

Folder 10

Student Congress, 1893

Box 2

Folder 11

Student Forum, 1918-1955

Box 2

Folder 12

Students of Objectivism, 1991

Box 2

Folder 13

Students for Violent Non-Action, c.1960

Box 2

Folder 14

Tarpon, c.1930

Box 2

Folder 15

Undergraduate Council, 1920's

Box 2

Folder 16

Undergraduate Literary Society, 1893

Box 2

Folder 17

University Union, 1890's

Box 2

Folder 18

Women's Radical Action project, 1968-1969

Box 2

Folder 19

World Student Service Fund, 1945-1949

Box 2

Folder 20

Zionist Organization, 1956

Subseries 3: Student Events

Box 2

Folder 21

Activity/Social Calendars, 1945-1968

Box 2

Folder 22

Exercises, Alumni, Honors, and Class Days, 1895-1955

Box 2

Folder 23

Dances and Formals, 1930's -1991

Box 2

Folder 24

Musical and Theater Events. I, 1908-2009

Box 2

Folder 25

Musical and Theater Events. II, undated

Box 2

Folder 26

Film Events, 1967-1968

Box 2

Folder 27

Visual Art Events, 1918-2004

Box 2

Folder 28

Lectures and Talks, 1939-2009

Box 2

Folder 29

Rockefeller Chapel, 1967-2019

Box 2

Folder 30

Bandersnatch, 1967

Box 2

Folder 31

Draft Related Posters and Fliers, 1968

Box 2

Folder 32

McCarthy Posters and Fliers, 1968

Box 2

Folder 33

Posters and Fliers - General. II, 1939-1968

Box 2

Folder 34

Posters and Fliers - General. II, 1968-2013

Box 3

Folder 1

Posters and Flyers- General. III, Undated

Box 3

Folder 2

Miscellaneous, 1924-1968

Subseries 4: Student Publications

Box 3

Folder 3

Student Publications, 1923-1968 (see also Box 11)

Series II: Student Union, 1939-1964

Student Union began in 1946 as a democratically run student organization with the expressed purpose of curating a stronger campus community and tending to the holistic wellbeing of students through recreation and extracurricular activities. The series details Student Union's activities throughout the mid-twentieth century and includes official reports, correspondence, articles, meeting minutes, newsletters, event information, as well material from orientation Board and Student Union's student activities focused publication: Forecast. Materials date from 1939-1964.

Box 3

Folder 4

General Information, 1939-1950

Box 3

Folder 5

Organizational Policy and Staff, 1948-1960

Box 3

Folder 6

Program Guides and Event Calendars, 1948-1960

Box 3

Folder 7

Financial Reports, 1947-1964

Box 3

Folder 8

Department Reports, 1947-1953

Box 3

Folder 9

Student Union Newsletter, 1947-1949

Box 3

Folder 10

Orientation Board, 1948-1960

Box 3

Folder 11

Forecast, 1948-1954

Box 4

Folder 1

Regional Conference, 1949-1951

Box 4

Folder 2

Staff Survey and Questionnaire, 1948

Box 4

Folder 3

Event Prep., 1951-1964

Box 4

Folder 4

Events Invitations, and Flyers, 1947-1960

Box 4

Folder 5

Event Attendance Records, 1948-1949

Box 4

Folder 6

Night of Sin, 1957-1959

Box 4

Folder 7

Musical Show Scripts, 1950-1951

Box 4

Folder 8

Correspondence. I, 1948-July 1963

Box 4

Folder 9

Correspondence. II, July 1963-1964

Box 4

Folder 10

Correspondence. III, undated

Box 4

Folder 11

Meeting Minutes. I, 1947-1948

Box 4

Folder 12

Meeting Minutes. II, 1949

Box 4

Folder 13

Meeting Minutes. III, 1949

Box 4

Folder 14

Meeting Minutes. IV, 1950

Box 4

Folder 15

Meeting Minutes. V, 1951-1952

Box 5

Folder 1

Meeting Minutes. VI, 1952-1954

Box 5

Folder 2

Meeting Minutes. VII, 1955-1961

Box 5

Folder 3

Newspaper Clippings, 1953-1969

Box 5

Folder 4

Miscellaneous, undated

Series III: Reynolds Club, 1903-1923

The Reynolds Club was established in 1903 through financial gifts from Joseph Reynolds Joseph Reynolds, as a student club house to promote comradeship, conversation, and collaboration between students. This series contains booklets detailing the Reynolds Club history, a copy of the constitution, event programs, a guest book, and meeting minutes from the early twentieth century. Materials date from 1903 to 1923.

Box 5

Folder 5

Constitution and Play Program, 1903-1942

Box 5

Folder 6

Bound Booklets, 1911-1914

Box 5

Folder 7

Meeting Minutes, 1905-1912

Box 5

Folder 8

Meeting Minutes, 1913-1914

Box 5

Folder 9

Meeting Minutes, 1914-1921

Box 5

Folder 10

Meeting Minutes, 1921-1923

Box 6

Guest Book, 1908

Series IV: Fraternities and Inter-Fraternity Council, 1921-2018

This series details the official life of fraternities on the University of Chicago campus. It includes articles, academic and financial reports, constitutions, correspondence, directories, event fliers, meeting minutes, membership data, and newspaper clippings.

Subseries I: General Information and Interfraternity Council contains material related to the IFC and fraternity administration and organization more broadly.

Subseries II: Rushing, Fraternity Directories, and Membership, includes documentation specifically related to rushing regulations and records, the fraternities active on University of Chicago campus, as well as fraternity membership reports. IFC membership reports regarding

specific fraternities can be found in their respective fraternity folder, while reports that include data from multiple fraternities have been compiled in Box 8, Folder 2.

Materials date from 1921 to 2018.

Subseries 1: General Information and Interfraternity Council

Box 7

Folder 1

IFC Constitution, Policies, and General Info, 1945-1958

Box 7

Folder 2

IFC Financial Reports, 1945-1949

Box 7

Folder 3

Fraternity Academic Reports, 1949-1953

Box 7

Folder 4

IFC Public Relations, 1951-1952

Box 7

Folder 5

Disciplinary Actions, 1949-1952

Box 7

Folder 6

Dean's Office, 1949-1951

Box 7

Folder 7

IFC Projects, 1951-1952

Box 7

Folder 8

National Interfraternity Council, 1945-1953

Box 7

Folder 9

Alumni on Reconstruction,

Box 7

Folder 10

IFC Correspondence, 1945-1951

Box 7

Folder 11

IFC Meeting Minutes. I, 1945-1948

Box 7

Folder 12

IFC Meeting Minutes. II, 1948-1950

Box 7

Folder 13

Interfraternity Ball, 1940's

Box 7

Folder 14

Interfraternity Sing, 1945-1988

Box 7

Folder 15

Newspaper Clippings, 1913-1948

Box 7

Folder 16

Fraternities- Miscellaneous, 1945-1968

Subseries 2: Rushing, Fraternity Directories, and Membership

Box 8

Folder 1

Rushing - Rules and Records, 1945-1952

Box 8

Folder 2

IFC Membership Reports - General, 1945-1971

Box 8

Folder 3

Fraternity Directories, 1925-1960's

Box 8

Folder 4

Alpha Delta Phi, 1940-2009

Box 8

Folder 5

Alpha Sigma Phi, 1921

Box 8

Folder 6

Beta Theta Phi, 1946-1952

Box 8

Folder 7

Delta Kappa Epsilon, 1933-1951

Box 8

Folder 8

Delta Upsilon, 1946-1968

Box 8

Folder 9

Epsilon Club, 2018

Box 8

Folder 10

Kappa Alpha Psi, 1947-1951

Box 8

Folder 11

Kappa Alpha Theta, 2009

Box 8

Folder 12

Phi Delta Theta, 1946-1952

Box 8

Folder 13

Phi Gamma Delta, 1946-1977

Box 8

Folder 14

Phi Kappa Psi, 1946-1952

Box 8

Folder 15

Phi Lambda Phi, 1946-1948

Box 8

Folder 16

Phi Sigma Delta, 1947-1952

Box 8

Folder 17

Psi Upsilon, 1926-1952

Box 8

Folder 18

Sigma Chi, 1946-2013

Box 8

Folder 19

Sigma Mu, 1903

Box 8

Folder 20

Zeta Beta Tai, 1946-1952

Series V: Oversized, 1926 - c.2009

This series contains oversized bound volumes, newspapers, and posters related to the material found throughout the collection. Series V has been organized into folders corresponding to folder titles from the rest of the collection. Materials date from 1926 to circa 2009

Box 9

Folder 1

Student Activities- Newspaper Clippings, 1926-1993

Box 9

Folder 2

Event Calendars, 1960-1988

Box 9

Folder 3

Hillel Posters, undated

Box 9

Folder 4

Dances and Formals Posters, 1968-c.2009

Box 9

Folder 5

Theatre Posters, 1968-c.2009

Box 9

Folder 6

Film Event Posters, 1968-2004

Box 9

Folder 7

Lectures and Talks Posters, 1967-2004

Box 10

Folder 1

Music Posters, 1968-2004

Box 10

Folder 2

Visual Art Posters, 1968-2004

Box 10

Folder 3

Event Posters - Miscellaneous, 1968-2004

Box 10

Folder 4

Reynolds Club, 1938 (see: Series III)

Box 11

Student Publications Financial Report, 1928-1938

Box 12

Folder 1

Student Union, 1949-1956 (see: Series II)

Box 12

Folder 2

Fraternities, 1932-1968 (see: Series IV)