Seton Hall University Archives – A Profile

The collective material memory of Seton Hall University is found in our collection which dates from the school's founding in 1856 to the present day, and encompasses approximately 1300 cubic feet worth of documentation related to the school in some form or function. Chartered as the first Catholic college in New Jersey, Seton Hall holds an important place in the annals of religious higher education in the United States and the resulting historical data reflects this unique status. A broad range of print resources combined with photographs, audio/video tapes and artifacts provide a detailed record of the varied aspects of campus life including governance, curriculum, student activity and physical plant development from its origins in Madison to its current location in South Orange. The school archival collection includes a continuous series of general bulletins/catalogues dating from 1861, handwritten ledger books which provide detailed accounts of college endeavors over the last two centuries and close to two hundred different campus publications including the White & Blue/Galleon (student annual) and Setonian (student newspaper) which both date from 1924 onward. Hundreds of other resource types may be found in specialized collections, record groups, or in a constantly growing subject file found within the confines of our repository.

For more information about our services, adding us to your mailing list and on how to donate materials please feel free to contact Alan Delozier, University Archivist/Assistant Professor…

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Time to Clean Out Your Place & Need Some Extra Office Space???

Does it Originate, State or Relate to Dear Ol’ Setonia in Some Way From Yesterday or Today???

Eureka!!! The Answer is Both Near & So Clear - Please Pause, Consider & Call…

The UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES at Seton Hall!!!
Seton Hall University Archives Collection Policy…

The Msgr. William Noé Field Archives & Special Collections Center located on the first floor of Walsh Library at Seton Hall University serves as the central repository for informational records created by, for and about the institution proper. The Center exists to identify, collect and preserve records of enduring value not only to Seton Hall University, but also the Archdiocese of Newark and/or Catholic New Jersey community. Through its professional and service-related activities, the Center aims to achieve the ultimate goal of advancing the educational and research mission of Seton Hall University and to promote inquiry regarding those who have built and sustained the institution from its founding to the present day.

The primary responsibility of this Center is to select, receive, describe, reference and administer recorded data in all formats produced as part of official University business for all faculties, departments, affiliated agencies and related corporations. The Center also actively collects documentation that reflects all aspects of the University’s broader functions in the areas of teaching, learning, stewardship, research, human interaction, as well as cultural and community relations. In addition to official records, the Center selects faculty papers; records of independent student, alumni, employee organizations; community groups and reference materials related not only to Seton Hall University, but also the Archdiocese of Newark and/or Catholic New Jersey.

The Center collects a wide variety of materials related to the Seton Hall University, Archdiocese of Newark and/or Catholic New Jersey experience. Selection depends upon the context in which a particular item or file is created and the nature of the information that it conveys, rather than on physical format or other variable. The following list includes some of the more common record-types that the Center collects, but is not limited to our A to Z list on the adjoining page…

- Academic Regalia (Gowns, Hoods, etc.)
- Account Books
- Accreditation Documentation & Affiliated Reports
- Architectural Plans
- Artifacts & Realia (Pennants, Buttons, Megaphones, etc.)
- Audio & Video Recordings
- Board of Regents & Trustees Information
- Brochures & Pamphlets
- Budget Summaries
- Catalog(ues) (Undergraduate, Graduate, Departmental, etc.)
- Commemorative Objects (Anniversary, Celebration, etc.)
- Correspondence
- Departmental Publications (Newsletters, Announcements, etc.)
- Diaries/Journals
- Directories
- Dissertations & Theses
- Handbooks
- Imprinted Merchandise (Clothing, Hats, Uniforms, etc.)
- Journals & Ledgers (Financial)
- Lectures & Notes
- Manuscripts or Drafts of Unpublished Writings
- Meeting Minutes
- Memoirs & Oral Histories
- Memoranda
- Photographs
- Planning/Position/Proposal Documents
- Posters & Banners
- Press Clippings & Releases
- Publications (By Administrators, Faculty, Staff, etc.)
- Reports (Annual, Special, etc.)
- Research Notes & Notebooks
- Scrapbooks
- Statistical Data
- Student Publications (Newspaper, Yearbook, etc.)
- University Publications (Alumni Magazine, Newsletters, etc.)
- Zucchettos & Other Materials Related to the Catholic Church