

Guide to the Council of Masters, Yale University, Records

RU 295



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Collection Overview

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CREATOR: Yale University. Council of Masters

TITLE: Council of Masters, Yale University, records

DATES: 1934-1997

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 18.75 linear feet

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SUMMARY: The records, generally maintained by the chair of the council, consist of correspondence, memoranda, reports, studies and surveys, committee files, and subject files documenting the policies and procedures of the Yale Council of Masters, which oversees affairs related to two or more residential colleges. The records do not include the Council of Masters meeting files, which are classed in Record Unit 299.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

Access is partially restricted. See Collection Contents for details.

Some records in this finding aid have been redacted, as they include student names, donor names, and other restricted data. These records will not appear in the published finding aid.

Preferred Citation

Council of Masters, Yale University, Records (RU 295). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Associated Materials

Council of Masters, Yale University, Minutes of Meetings (RU 299), Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library; Pierson College, records of the Master (RU 316).

Biographical / Historical

Yale University's residential colleges, modeled after those at Cambridge and Oxford, were conceived in the 1920s and designed to recapture the intimate collegiate atmosphere of an earlier time when class sizes small. The Council of Masters was established in 1932, the year the first residential colleges opened their doors. The first masters were appointed before the colleges were built, and as the Committee of Quadrangles, were instrumental in forming early policies regarding the colleges. The council consists of the masters, or administrative heads, of the residential colleges. Ex-officio members include the university president, provost, dean of Yale College, associate dean of Yale College and associate dean for student affairs. The Council makes recommendations to the university president in matters of policy concerning the residential colleges. It also serves as the committee of control in affairs concerning two or more residential colleges.

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General note

Forms part of Yale Record Group 13-A (YRG 13-A), Records of the Yale Council of Masters.

Arrangement

The records are arranged in three series: I. Correspondence, 1934-1997. II. Subject Files, 1934-1992. III. Restricted files. and in subsequent accessions.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence, 1934-1997

The series consists of correspondence of the chair of the Council of Masters primarily with other members of the council, as well as, other administrative bodies at Yale. The correspondence documents general administrative functions and policies.

Access to the correspondence is restricted 35 years from the year the records were created.

Correspondence and memoranda

b. 1, f. 1 - 8	1934-1979 Sept The materials are open for research.
b. 2, f. 9 - 14	1979 Oct-1980 Oct The materials are open for research.
b. 3, f. 15 - 22	1980 Nov-1981 May 15 The materials are open for research.
b. 4, f. 23 - 27	1981 May 17-1982 Apr The materials are open for research.
b. 5, f. 28 - 32	1982 May-1983 Mar 16 These records are restricted. They will be available in 2019.
b. 6, f. 33 - 38	1983 Mar 17-1983 Dec These records are restricted. They will be available in 2019.
b. 7, f. 39 - 42	1984-1985 Feb These records are restricted. They will be available in 2021.
b. 8, f. 43 - 51	1985 Mar-1987 These records are restricted. They will be available in 2023.
b. 9, f. 52 - 59	1988-1989 These records are restricted. They will be available in 2025.
b. 10, f. 60 - 66	1990-1991 Apr These records are restricted until January 2027.
b. 11, f. 67 - 75	1991 May-1992 These records are restricted until January 2028.
b. 12, f. 76 - 81	1993 These records are restricted until January 2029.
b. 13, f. 82 - 88	1994 These records are restricted until January 2030.
b. 14, f. 89 - 94	1995 These records are restricted. They will be available January 1, 2031.

Correspondence and memoranda (continued)

b. 15, f. 95 - 103

1996-1997 Jun

These records are restricted. They will be open January 1, 2033.

Series II: Subject Files, 1934-1992

The series consists of records, listed alphabetically by subject, documenting the activities of the Council of Masters, including the records of various committees, filed by committee name.

Restricted until Jan 1, 2028

b. 16, f. 1	General	Circa 1965
b. 16, f. 2 - 5	Accounting and budgets, Committee on	1970-1978
b. 16, f. 6 - 9	Advisory Committee	1971-1976
b. 16, f. 10	Agenda, Committee on the	1966-1967
b. 16, f. 11	Alcohol @ Dartmouth	1982-1983
b. 17, f. 12 - 13	Alcoholic beverages	prior to 1984- 1985
b. 17, f. 14	Alcohol/Social functions procedures	1985-1986
b. 17, f. 15	Alcohol, Committee on	1981-1982
b. 17, f. 16	Allocations Committee	1956-1957
b. 17, f. 17	Allocations	1961-1962
b. 17, f. 18	Alumni-Masters' reports to	1967
b. 17, f. 19	Attendance and hours	prior to 1988
b. 17, f. 20	Bladder Ball	1976-1982
b. 17, f. 21	Buckley Amendment	1973-1976
b. 17, f. 22 - 23	Budget and Fellowships, Committee on the	1979-1980
b. 18, f. 24	Career Advisory notes	1967
b. 18, f. 25	Chaplains See also: box 19, folder 49	1979
b. 18, f. 26	Coeducation	1968-1974
b. 18, f. 27	Colleges' accounts, Special review of	1991
b. 18, f. 28	College Awards, Committee on	1960-1963
b. 18, f. 29	College committees	1967
b. 18, f. 30	College endowments	1971-1974
b. 18, f. 31 - 32	Conferences - Residential College System	1967-1983
b. 18, f. 33	Cooke Committee on Fellowships	1978-1979
b. 18, f. 34	Council on Priorities and Planning	1984

b. 19, f. 35	Course of Study, Joint Board	1959-1964
	Creative and Performing Arts, Committee on	
b. 19, f. 36	Dining halls	
b. 19, f. 37	Dining Halls, Special Committee on	1973-1974
b. 19, f. 38	Discipline	1968
b. 19, f. 39	Discussion course on early concentration	1967-1968
b. 19, f. 40	Disruptions - Student	1969
b. 19, f. 41	Drug report	1967
b. 19, f. 42 - 44	Educational Planning Committee	1962-1968
b. 19, f. 45	Educational Research, Office of	1967
b. 19, f. 46	Educational Services of the Colleges	1950
b. 19, f. 47	Eligibility and Rules Committee	1972-1974
b. 19, f. 48	Engineering departments	1981-1982
b. 19, f. 49	Episcopal chaplaincy	1971-1973
b. 19, f. 50	Executive Council on Foreign Diplomats	1980
b. 19, f. 51	Exit interviews	1978
b. 20, f. 52 - 54	Faculty offices and Study of physical facilities	1963-1979
b. 20, f. 55	FBI: Interrogation of students	1967
b. 20, f. 56 - 58	Fellowships Committee	1969-1970
b. 20, f. 59	Fiftieth anniversary	1982-1985
b. 20, f. 60	Financial Aid Committee	1966
b. 20, f. 61	Financial aids	1960-1961
b. 20, f. 62	Fraternities, Report on	1956
	Freshman	
	Counselors	
	See: series III, box 34, folder 2	
b. 20, f. 63	Integration Committee	1962
b. 21, f. 64	Reallocations	1967-1973
b. 21, f. 66	Gay [and lesbian] student counseling, proposal for	1981
b. 21, f. 67	Gibbs Society	1967

b. 21, f. 68	Gifts to Yale	1967-1971
b. 21, f. 70	Governance - University	1969-1971
	Graduate	
	Advisors	
	See: series III, box 34, folders 3-4	
	Affiliates	
	See: series III, box 34, folders 5-8	
	Assistants	
	See: series III, box 35, folders 14-16	
b. 21, f. 71	Harvard weekend	1969
b. 21, f. 72	Henry Fellowships	1969-1970
	Housing, Student	
b. 21, f. 73 - 75	On Campus - General Information	1970-1975
b. 21, f. 76	Blacks in the Colleges	1971
b. 21, f. 77 - 78	Housing Committee, Ad Hoc	1969-1978
b. 22, f. 79 - 82	Student Housing Study	1968, 1978-1979
b. 22, f. 83	Kiphuth Fellowships	1968-1985
b. 22, f. 84	Language Laboratory - Facilities in the colleges	1967-1968
b. 22, f. 85 - 86	Legal Counseling - Draft and other matters	1968-1970
	Libraries	
	College	
b. 23, f. 87 - 95	General	1956-1978
b. 23, f. 96	Book selection, DUS lists	1974-1975
b. 24, f. 97	Book selection, pre-1970	1956-1968
b. 24, f. 98	Book transfers	1975-1976
b. 24, f. 99 - 101	College Library Committee	1957-1974
b. 24, f. 102 - 103	Manuals	1963-1974
b. 24, f. 104	Notes on meetings	1973-1974
b. 24, f. 105	Permanent records	1978-1979
b. 24, f. 106	Reference book selection	1974-1975
b. 24, f. 107	Sign, "Endangered Species"	undated

Libraries > College (continued)

b. 24, f. 108	System	1967-1972
b. 24, f. 109	Transfers and finances	1976-1977
University		
b. 24, f. 110	Brochure	
b. 24, f. 111	Cost and gift opportunities	
Development, lists of prospects See: series III, box 34, folder 1		
b. 25, f. 112	Mailings and meetings reminders, Checklist for	1963-1964
b. 25, f. 114	Meal privilege studies, Reports	1965-1990
b. 25, f. 115	Medical advisors - College	1967
b. 25, f. 116	Meeting and appointment correspondence	1964-1965
b. 25, f. 117	Morse Research Fellowships	1967-1971
b. 25, f. 118 - 120	Necrology slips	1995-1996
b. 25, f. 121 - 122	New colleges	1957-1971
b. 25, f. 123	Non-Alcoholic projects	1989-1990
b. 25, f. 124	Parietal rules	1967-1968
b. 25, f. 125	Personnel, Committee on	1938-1946
b. 26, f. 126	Resident students (non-undergrad, non-6A)	1968-1969
Residential Colleges		
b. 26, f. 127	Campaign for	1988-1992
b. 26, f. 128	Room survey	1977
b. 26, f. 129	Seminars	1987-1989
b. 26, f. 130	Literature [on residential college]	1967
b. 26, f. 131	University's Study of	1983
b. 26, f. 133	Room drawings	1969-1970
b. 26, f. 134	Safety section: Employee relations	1969
Security		
b. 26, f. 135 - 136	General	1969-1977
b. 26, f. 137	Campus police	1968-1979
b. 26, f. 138	Committee minutes	1982

Security (continued)

b. 26, f. 139	Prior to 1986-1987	
b. 27, f. 140 - 142	Services, Committee on	1971-1978
	Student	
b. 27, f. 143 - 145	Activities Committee See also: series III, box 35, folder 17	1967-1985
b. 27, f. 146	Advisory Board	1968
b. 27, f. 147	Agency Advisory Council	1967-1977
b. 27, f. 148	SDS Conference	1969
b. 27, f. 149	Employment Program (bursary students)	1972-1975
b. 27, f. 150	Exchange	1968
b. 33, f. 229	Teaching appointments - graduate students, faculty, college tutors	1970-1978
b. 33, f. 230	Teaching in the Residential Colleges, Committee on	1968-1971
b. 33, f. 231	Transfer students	1971
b. 33, f. 232	Tutorial work in colleges	1934-1937
b. 33, f. 233	Yale Development Board	1969
b. 33, f. 234	Yale Science and Engineering Association (YSEA) Fellows: Graduate	1977-1984
b. 33, f. 235	Miscellaneous	

Series III: Restricted files

The series consists of records with personally identifiable information, which is restricted for 75 years from when the person left Yale or five years after death.

Restricted until Jan 1, 2059

b. 34, f. 1	Development - Library: Early lists of prospects	
b. 34, f. 2	Freshmen counselors	1966-1978
b. 34, f. 3 - 4	Graduate advisors	1969-1974
	Graduate affiliates	
b. 34, f. 5 - 8	General	1969-1983
b. 34, f. 9	and Teaching associates	1969-1970
b. 34, f. 10	6 College Report	1967-1968
b. 34, f. 11 - 12	Program	1967-1969
b. 34, f. 13	Program (Danforth)	1966-1967
b. 35, f. 14 - 16	Graduate assistants	1969-1978
b. 35, f. 17	Student Activities Committee	1982

Accession 19ND-A-499: Residential college accounting sheet, 1934

The materials are open for research.

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Residential college accounting sheet

1934

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Student housing
Universities and colleges -- Administration

Corporate Bodies

Berkeley College (Yale University)
Branford College (Yale University)
Calhoun College (Yale University)
Davenport College (Yale University)
Ezra Stiles College (Yale University)
Jonathan Edwards College (Yale University)
Morse College (Yale University)
Pierson College (Yale University)
Saybrook College (Yale University)
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