

# Guide to the Frederick Charles Barghoorn Papers

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## Collection Overview

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**CREATOR:** Barghoorn, Frederick Charles, 1911-

**TITLE:** Frederick Charles Barghoorn papers

**DATES:** 1938-1988

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 3.5 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The bulk of the material is from the 1960s and early 1970s, and includes correspondence, departmental and organizational files, research files, and publications. There is little mention of Barghoorn's arrest by the Soviet government in 1963, except for a brief summary of the incident in a letter to Pat Briggs dated November 10, 1965.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Steven Barghoorn, 1994.

## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research, with the exception of restricted files relating to faculty searches and student recommendations. These records will be open January 1, 2060.

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## Biographical / Historical

Frederick Charles Barghoorn was born in New York City in 1911. He received his undergraduate degree from Amherst College in 1934 and his doctorate in history from Harvard in 1941. In the 1940s, Barghoorn served in the Division of East European Affairs in the State Department and in the press section of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. From 1949 to 1951, he headed a federal project interviewing Soviet defectors to analyze their government and society. From 1947 until his retirement in 1980, Barghoorn was a professor in Yale's political science department. He also taught at the University of Chicago and Columbia University. In 1963, Soviet officials jailed Barghoorn in Moscow on espionage charges and released him only under pressure from President John F. Kennedy. Frederick Barghoorn died in Woodbridge, Connecticut, in 1991.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

The papers are arranged in three series: I. Yale University Files, 1953-1979, II. Professional Files, 1957-1988, III. Subject Files, 1939-1988.

## Collection Contents

### Series I: Yale University Files, 1953-1979

Yale University Files (0.5 linear feet) are arranged alphabetically and relate to Yale's Political Science, and Russian and East European Studies departments. The files concern departmental and university business, and include correspondence, minutes of meetings, reports, and memoranda. The files also include Barghoorn's syllabi, reading lists, and examinations for the classes he taught at Yale. Restricted material relating to faculty searches and student recommendations is listed at the end of the inventory.

Political Science Department		
b. 1, f. 1	General	1970-1972
b. 1, f. 2	Advanced Political Studies	1971
b. 1, f. 3	Annual reports [by Barghoorn]	1954-1974
Courses		
b. 1, f. 4-6	Political Science 32b	1969-1970,1972,1975
b. 1, f. 7-9	Political Science 66a and Political Science 66b	1953-1972
b. 1, f. 10	Political Science 118b	1969-1970
b. 1, f. 11	Political Science 118b and Political Science 177a	1966-1972
b. 1, f. 12	Political Science 159b	1969
b. 1, f. 13	Political Science 176b	1972
b. 1, f. 14-15	Political Science 177a	1969-1972
b. 1, f. 16	Political Science 365a	1979
b. 1, f. 17	Political Science 770a	1979
b. 1, f. 18	Political Science 771b	1979
b. 1, f. 19	Political Science 776b	1979
Faculty searches		
See: <a href="#">Restricted Files, Box 8, Folders 1-8</a> . Material will be open January 1, 2060.		
b. 1, f. 20	Kaufman, Herbert Department chair; mostly outgoing correspondence, Barghoorn to Kaufman.	1965-1967
b. 1, f. 21	Lane, Robert E. Department chair; memos to the faculty and correspondence with Barghoorn.	1967-1970
b. 1, f. 22-23	Russian and East European Studies	1969-1972
b. 1, f. 24	Russian Seminar [report]	1963
Student evaluations and recommendations		
See: <a href="#">Restricted Files, Box 8, Folders 9-13</a> . Material will be open January 1, 2060.		

## Series II: Professional Files, 1957-1988

Barghoorn's Professional Files (1.5 linear feet) are arranged alphabetically and include correspondence; materials on grants and funding agencies; various professional organizations and conferences files; and writings, including book reviews and book chapters. The correspondence is divided into several chronological sections. Within each section letters are arranged alphabetically by the last name of Barghoorn's correspondent. There is also a folder of the correspondence between Barghoorn and his former student, Ellen Mickiewicz. The bulk of the correspondence consists of outgoing letters from Barghoorn, chiefly to professional colleagues in academia and government, discussing his and others' work in Soviet studies. There is little mention of his arrest by the Soviet government in 1963, except for a brief summary of the incident in a letter to Pat Briggs dated 1965 November 10. Other letters concern collaborative projects, funding opportunities, and departmental and university matters. A few items mention student unrest at Yale in the spring of 1970.

Grants and funding files contain correspondence, proposals, and application materials. Professional organizations and conferences files include correspondence, programs, and drafts of papers. Barghoorn's writings are comprised of book reviews and chapters for Robert Dahl's *Regimes and Oppositions* and Wendell Bell and Walter E. Freeman's *Ethnicity and Nation-building*.

b. 2, f. 1	Bibliographies and curricula vita	1957-1971
	Correspondence	
	Materials are arranged alphabetically within each date span.	
b. 2, f. 2-5	1961-1964	1961-1964
	1965-1975	1965-1975
b. 2, f. 6-13	A-H	
b. 3, f. 14-25	I-Z	
b. 4, f. 26	1975-1978	1975-1978
b. 4, f. 27	1979-1988	1979-1988
b. 4, f. 28	Mickiewicz, Ellen	
	Grants and funding	
b. 4, f. 29	American Council of Learned Societies	1967-1969
b. 4, f. 30	American Philosophical Society	1966-1972
b. 4, f. 31	Ford Foundation	1966
b. 4, f. 32	Guggenheim Foundation	1872
b. 4, f. 33	Hazen Foundation	1970
b. 4, f. 34	National Endowment for the Humanities	1986
b. 4, f. 35	RELM Foundation	1969
b. 4, f. 36	Rockefeller Foundation	1969
b. 4, f. 37	United States Information Agency	1968

## Professional associations and conferences

b. 4, f. 38	American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies	1972
b. 4, f. 39	American Political Science Association	1970
b. 4, f. 40	Conference on Dissent in the Soviet Union, McMaster Studies	1971
b. 4, f. 41	International Committee for Soviet and East European Studies, Garmisch Conference	1980
b. 4, f. 42	International Studies Association	1971

## Writings

b. 4, f. 43	Book reviews by Barghoorn	1978-1982
b. 4, f. 44	<i>Ethnicity and Nation-building</i> [book chapter] English	1971
b. 4, f. 45	<i>Regimes and Oppositions</i> [book chapter]	1965-1970
b. 4, f. 46	Miscellaneous [invitations and fliers]	Circa 1980-1986

**Series III: Subject Files, 1939-1988**

Barghoorn's Subject Files (1.5 linear feet) are mostly from the 1940s and 1950s and primarily concern the history, politics, and cultural life of the Soviet Union and its republics. There are both English and Russian-language articles, clippings, publications, and Barghoorn's handwritten and typed notes. Many of the items have been annotated by Barghoorn and others.

b. 5, f. 1-4	Notes and draft	Undated
b. 5, f. 5-7	Publications	Circa 1958-1988
b. 6, f. 8-9	Publications	Circa 1958-1988
Soviet republics		
b. 6, f. 10	Karelo-Finnish Republic	Circa 1949
b. 6, f. 11	Kirghizistan	1939-1959
b. 6, f. 12	Moldavia	1956-1959
b. 6, f. 13	Mongolia	1955-1960
b. 6, f. 14	Turkistan	1945-1955
b. 6, f. 15	Ukraine	1952
Soviet Union		
b. 6, f. 16-17	Drama and cinema	1944-1949
b. 7, f. 18	Ethnic composition in Party	1959
b. 7, f. 19	Freedom of expression	1970
b. 7, f. 20	Geographic patriotism	1945-1957
b. 7, f. 21	Intelligentsia	1952
b. 7, f. 22	Nationalities and representation in the Presidium, C. C. and other control agencies	1957-1959
b. 7, f. 23	Persecution of non-Russian intelligentsia	1946-1954
b. 7, f. 24-25	Politics in the USSR	Circa 1986
b. 7, f. 26	Popular forces	1954, undated
b. 7, f. 27	Progress and nationalism	1946-1951
b. 7, f. 28	Russian church and patriotism	1951
b. 7, f. 29	Russification, successes and failures	1954



**Restricted Files**

Restricted until January 1, 2060.

	University Files 1	1963-1987
	Political Science Department	
	Faculty Searches	
	Comparative Communism	1966-1969
b. 8, f. 1	General	
b. 8, f. 2-3	Candidates	
b. 8, f. 4	Concilium Chair	1971-1972
	Eastern Europe	1965-1967
b. 8, f. 5	General	
b. 8, f. 6-8	Candidates	
b. 8, f. 9-13	Student evaluations and recommendations	1961-1984

## **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**

College teachers -- United States  
Communism -- Soviet Union -- History  
Dissenters -- Soviet Union  
Education, Higher -- United States  
Nationalism -- Soviet Union  
Opposition (Political science)  
Political science -- Study and teaching  
Political scientists -- United States  
Propaganda, Communist -- Soviet Union  
Propaganda, Soviet  
Sovietologists -- United States  
Teachers -- United States  
Totalitarianism  
Universities and colleges -- United States --  
Administration

### **Geographic Names**

Europe, Eastern -- Study and teaching  
Soviet Union -- Economic policy  
Soviet Union -- Foreign relations  
Soviet Union -- Intellectual life  
Soviet Union -- Politics and government  
Soviet Union -- Study and teaching

### **Names**

Barghoorn, Frederick Charles, 1911-  
Lane, Robert Edwards  
Mickiewicz, Ellen Propper

### **Corporate Body**

Yale University. Department of Political Science