

University of Washington Philosophy Library records, 1946-1996

Overview of the Collection

Creator	University of Washington. Philosophy Library
Title	University of Washington Philosophy Library records
Dates	1946-1996 (inclusive) 1946 1996
Quantity	16.95 cubic feet (22 boxes)
Collection Number	UW Resource No. 07287
Summary	Lecture notes, card catalog, shelflist and inactive cards, records of the philosophy library arranged in subject files, annual reports, floor plans, architectural drawings, correspondence. Includes correspondence concerning the closing of the Philosophy Library in Savery Hall and issues and discussions related to the consolidation of the physical collection and public services within the University of Washington Libraries in 1995.
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	Public records, but advance notice is required to allow for screening of materials protected from disclosure by law. Please contact Special Collections for more information. Some material stored offsite; advance notice required for use.
Languages	English

Historical Note

The Philosophy Library was established on October 6th, 1947, and was located on the first floor of Savery Hall. The original library collection was built around 650 books from Professor Savery's private library, together with 250 books on permanent loan from the main library. Friends and colleagues of Professor Savery donated an additional 150 books to support the establishment of the Philosophy Library. Claire A. Marston was the first head of the Philosophy Library and volunteers staffed the library for half of the hours of operations. The Philosophy Library was closed and the materials incorporated into the Suzzallo/Allen Library in 1995.

Content Description

Lecture notes, card catalog and shelf list, annual reports, floor plans, correspondence (particularly concerning the closure of the Philosophy Library), and other records of the Philosophy Library.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

Public Records (Use unrestricted when access is granted)

Administrative Information

Arrangement

Organized into 5 accessions.

Accession No. 95-339, University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1946-1947.

Accession No. 95-344, University of Washington Philosophy Library records, undated.

Accession No. 96-060, University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1966-1995.

Accession No. 03-024, Records of the University of Washington Philosophy Library, 1989-1996

Accession No. 16-041, University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1954-1990

Detailed Description of the Collection

Accession No. 95-339: University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1946-1947

.21 cu. ft.

Scope and Content: Lecture notes on philosophical psychology by Ludwig Wittgenstein; 1946-1947.

Restrictions on Access: Public records, but advance notice is required to allow for screening of materials protected from disclosure by law. Please contact Special Collections for more information.

Restrictions on Use: Public Records (use unrestricted when access is granted)

Acquisition Info: Jerry Anderson, Philosophy Library, August 29, 1995

Accession No. 95-344: University of Washington Philosophy Library records, undated

15 cu. ft.

Scope and Content: Card catalog, shelf list and inactive cards; n.d.

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Restrictions on Access: Public records, but advance notice is required to allow for screening of materials protected from disclosure by law. Please contact Special Collections for more information.

Restrictions on Use: Public Records (use unrestricted when access is granted)

Acquisition Info: A. Gerald Anderson, August 30, 1995

Accession No. 96-060: University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1966-1995

.63 cu. ft.

Scope and Content: Records of the Philosophy Library arranged in subject files; includes annual reports (ca. 1966-1992), floor plans, architectural drawings, Philosophy Library history, correspondence regarding the Savery Hough Gift (1968), and statistics; 1966-1995.

Restrictions on Access: Public records, but advance notice is required to allow for screening of materials protected from disclosure by law. Please contact Special Collections for more information.

Restrictions on Use: Public Records (use unrestricted when access is granted)

Acquisition Info: A. Gerald Anderson, August 30, 1995

Accession No. 03-024: Records of the University of Washington Philosophy Library, 1989-1996

.42 cubic feet (2 boxes)

Scope and Content: Planning files, annual reports, subject files.

Includes correspondence concerning the closing of the Philosophy Library in Savery Hall and issues and discussions related to the consolidation of the physical collection and public services within the University of Washington Libraries in 1995.

Acquisition Info: Received from the Reference and Research Services Division, July 30, 2002.

Processing Info: Unprocessed.

Restrictions on Access: Files in Box 2 contain confidential materials related to job applications and donor information and are restricted as indicated in the inventory.

Records stored offsite; advance notice required for use.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box	Accession	
1	03-024 Annual Reports	
Box	Accession	
1	03-024 Annual Reports	1991-1995

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	03-024 Annual Report 1994-1995	1994
1	03-024 Philosophy - Annual Report 1993-1994	1995
1	03-024 Planning Files	
Box	Accession	
1	03-024 Philosophy Working Group - Consolidation	1994-1995
1	03-024 Consolidation Issues - Philosophy Library	1994-1995
2	03-024 Consolidation - Complaints	1994
2	03-024 Subject Files	
Box	Accession	
2	03-024 Facilities Plan - UW Libraries	1992
2	03-024 Savery Book Donations <u>Restrictions on Access:</u> Restricted.	1989-1996
2	03-024 Job Description - Head, Philosophy Library <u>Restrictions on Access:</u> Restricted.	1989-1994

Accession No. 16-041: University of Washington, Philosophy Library records, 1954-1990

0.69 cubic feet (2 boxes)

Scope and Content: Materials related to the proposed closures of the Philosophy Library in the 1960s, the 1970s, and in 1990. Includes correspondence regarding the proposed closures, department and university space needs, and the ultimate decision not to close the library; letters of support for the library from University of Washington faculty and students, as well as faculty at other institutions; and newspaper articles covering the proposed closure. Also included are records related to the library's holdings, budget, and personnel.

Restrictions on Access: Public Records (Public disclosure laws may restrict access to some records)

Restrictions on Use: Public Records (Use is unrestricted after access has been granted)

Acquisition Info: Beverly Wessel, 2006-11-08

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Philosophy libraries--Washington (State)

Philosophy--Study and teaching (Higher)

Personal Names :

Savery, William, 1875---Library

Corporate Names :

University of Washington. Libraries. Philosophy Library--Archives

Form or Genre Terms :

Annual reports

Business correspondence

Library catalogs

Records (Documents)

Other Creators :

Personal Names :

Savery, William, 1875-
(former owner)

Wittgenstein, Ludwig, 1889-1951,
(associated name)

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

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