

Sigurd and Ingrith Olsen papers and photographs, circa 1960-1980

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Olsen, Sigurd
Title	Sigurd and Ingrith Olsen papers and photographs
Dates	circa 1960-1980 (inclusive) 1960 1980
Quantity	10.61 cubic feet (21 boxes)
Collection Number	PH2016-010
Summary	Biological research photographs, personal photographs, field and research notes, and personal papers of University of Washington professors Sigurd and Ingrith Olsen
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	Open to all users. Records stored off site; advance notice required for use.
Languages	English

Biographical Note

Sigurd Olsen

Sigurd Otto Maglegaard Olsen was born in Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1908. Economic pressures forced him to leave school at 15 and he began a career in the Department of Social Welfare in Copenhagen. Unable to pursue a formal university education, he worked in his spare hours in botany and biology, specializing in limnology. The University of Copenhagen recognized his contributions to the field in 1939, awarding him the gold medal in botany for his major study of charophytes published through the Royal Danish Academy of Sciences. He continued to be affiliated with the University of Copenhagen until he married Ingrith Deyrup and emigrated to the United States in 1963.

For the next seven years, he worked as a biologist and research assistant professor in the School of Fisheries at the University of Washington. After his retirement in 1970, he devoted himself full time to biological studies and photography, developing techniques for capturing subjects too large for photomicrography, but too small for standard photography. Much of his scientific work was carried out at Bear Lake on the Kitsap Peninsula and focused on the ground cone *Boschniakia hookeri*. He died in 1980.

Ingrith Deyrup-Olsen

Ingrith Deyrup-Olsen was born in 1919 in Englewood, N.J. She earned a bachelor's degree in zoology from Barnard College (1940), a doctorate in physiology from Columbia (1944), and joined the UW faculty as a professor of zoology in 1964. Popularly known as the "slug lady," Deyrup-Olsen studied mucus secretion, in particular how slugs use mucus in transportation. She created the UW's Master of Science for Biology Teachers program to improve the teaching of science in secondary schools. She was also a founder of the UW's Women Studies Program. In 1988, Ingrith received the UW's Distinguished Teaching Award. She retired in 1990 and died in 2004.

Content Description

Biological research photographs, both field and laboratory, of University of Washington professors Sigurd and Ingrith Olsen. The photographs include landscapes (Washington, Wisconsin, Yellowstone, and Norway), waterscapes, macro images of flora and fauna specimens, as well as images of cameras, laboratories, and equipment. While many of the photographs are likely from research trips, there are also many personal snapshots, primarily of Ingrith Olsen. Field and research notes and personal papers are also included.

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Administrative Information

Preservation Note

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Acquisition Information

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Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Animals--Photographs
Botany--Sources
Laboratories--Equipment and supplies--Photographs
Laboratories--Photographs
Landscapes--Photographs
Plants--Photographs
Visual Materials Collections (University of Washington)
Zoology--Sources

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Personal Names :

Deyrup-Olsen, Ingrith--Archives
Deyrup-Olsen, Ingrith--Photographs
Olsen, Sigurd,--Archives

Corporate Names :

University of Washington. School of Fisheries
University of Washington--Faculty

Geographical Names :

Norway--Photographs
Washington (State)--Photographs
Wisconsin--Photographs
Yellowstone National Park--Photographs

Form or Genre Terms :

Photographs

Other Creators :

Personal Names :

Deyrup-Olsen, Ingrith,
(creator)

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