

# Department of Economics fonds

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# Fonds Description

**Department of Economics fonds.** – 1977-2002.

23.5 cm of textual records.

## Administrative History

The UBC Department of Economics, Sociology, and Political Science was established in 1915 within the Faculty of Arts. At that time, however, there were no officers and staff in the department. Three courses in economics were offered by Mack Eastman, assistant professor of the Department of History. Theodore H. Boggs became the first professor of economics in 1917 and head of the department in 1920 when he was joined by Henry F. Angus. In 1931, Angus succeeded Boggs, and he served as head until 1956.

Meanwhile, the name of the department was changed to the Department of Economics, Political Science, Commerce, and Sociology in 1934. Five years later the Department of Commerce was created and the department was renamed the Department of Economics, Political Science, and Sociology. In 1956, the Department of Anthropology, Criminology, and Sociology was newly formed and the name of the department was changed to the Department of Economics and Political Science. A program leading to a master's degree in economics was offered in 1926 and a doctoral program was instituted in 1962. The Department of Economics and Political Science was split into the Departments of Economics and Political Science in 1964. The Department of Economics belongs to the Faculty of Arts that administers all departments and programmes in the humanities, social sciences, and creative arts. The department is responsible for teaching, research, and service to the university, the profession, and the community in the field of economics. Other heads of the department have been John J. Deutsch (1956-1959), Joseph A. Crumb (1959-1960), John H. Young (1960-1966), Anthony D. Scott (1966-1969), A. Milton Moore (1969-1973), Ronald A. Shearer (1973-1977), John G. Cragg (1977-1986), Samuel P. S. Ho (1986-1990), John F. Helliwell (1990-1993), William C. Riddell (1993-1997), Ashok Kotwal (1997-2002), and Angela Redish (2002- ).

## Scope and Content

Fonds consists of minutes of meetings and reports pertaining to the administration and activities of the department. The records are arranged in three series: Departmental minutes; Annual reports; Departmental reviews.

## Notes

Title based on contents of fonds.

Transferred from the Department of Economics, January 29, 2003.

No restrictions on access.

Series descriptions available.

File list available.

Further accruals are expected.

## Series Descriptions

**Departmental minutes.** -- 1977-1997.

5.5 cm of textual records.

Series is accumulated from departmental meetings that are held two or three times each academic year to hear committee reports, to make decisions concerning curriculum and program changes, and to discuss recruiting priorities and other matters of interest to the department. Series consists of minutes of meetings arranged chronologically by date of departmental meeting.

Title based on contents of series.

**Annual reports.** -- 1988-2000.

13.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of annual reports describing the activities of the department. Series is arranged in two sub-series: faculty annual reports (1988-1999) and departmental annual reports (1992-2000). Faculty annual reports prepared by each faculty member are created for the department, while departmental annual reports compiled by the department are prepared for the Faculty of Arts and primarily for the President's annual reports.

Title based on contents of series.

**Departmental reviews.** -- 1995-1996, 2002.

4.5 cm of textual records.

Series is created for the Faculty of Arts and for the Vice-President, Academic. Series consists of reports of departmental committees for the review.

Title based on contents of series.

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