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Abstract

The Department of Philosophy and Religion was formed in 1955, splitting into the departments of Philosophy and of Religion in 1983. The latter became the Religious Studies Program in 1994-1995, then the Department of Religion and Culture in 2009. This collection contains the records of these departments from 1960-2016. Materials include five-year departmental reviews, research, degree and grant proposals, course offerings, newsletters, information on guest speakers and faculty members, and photographs.

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Administrative History

Moral philosophy courses had been offered as early as 1872 and religion courses since 1954. The Department of Philosophy and Religion was established in 1955, later joining the College of Arts and Sciences after it formed in 1961. The department split into the departments of Philosophy and of Religion in 1983. In 1994, the Department of Religion became the Religious Studies Program in the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (CIS). In July 2003, Department of Philosophy and CIS moved to the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences. In 2009, CIS was dissolved, and the Religious Studies program became the Department of Religion and Culture.

Scope and Content

This collection contains records belonging to the Department of Philosophy and Religion and its successive programs, primarily the Religious Studies Program and the Department of Religion and Culture. Some materials were maintained by the chairs and directors of these programs, including Guy Hammond and Elizabeth Struthers Malbon.

Series I: Departmental Records includes five-year departmental reviews, research, degree proposals, grant requests, course offerings, and more. Series II: Readings and Newsletters contains required readings and printed materials about the departments and programs. Series III: Departmental Events contains information on workshops, lectures, and visits of guest speakers invited by the department. Series IV: Faculty Records contains faculty information, including CVs, retirement resolutions, and faculty pictures. Series V: Lane Hall Photographs depict the renovations and repairs of Lane Hall in 1996.

Related Archival Materials

Records of former department heads are also in the Norman L. Grover Papers, Ms1991-037, and Charles A. Kennedy Papers, Ms1994-018, both at the Virginia Tech Special Collections and University Archives.

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Appraisal

Duplicate materials were weeded from the collection. Travel reimbursements were shredded by VT Records Management in accordance with Library of Virginia's Records Retention Schedule #GS-102, Series 012151 -- Reimbursement Records, Certificate of Records Destruction Form #7845.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged by format or subject into the following five series. Within each series, materials are arranged chronologically.

- Series I: Departmental Records, 1960-2004, undated
- Series II: Readings and Newsletters, 1972-1998, undated
- Series III: Departmental Events, 1983-1997
- Series IV: Faculty Records, 1964-2016
- Series V: Lane Hall Photographs, 1996

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Departmental Records

Unit Date 1960-2004, undated

Course Descriptions

Unit Date 1960-1961

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Self-Study Department Report

Unit Date 1966

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Religion Major Information

Unit Date 1966-1982

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Container 3 (folder)

Genesis of Philosophy and Religious Programs

Unit Date 1967

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Proposal for a Baccalaureate degree in Religious Studies

Unit Date 1973

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Container 5 (folder)

Religious Option in Philosophy

Unit Date 1974

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Container 6 (folder)

Proposal for a Religion Option in the Philosophy Degree Program

Unit Date 1974

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Container 7 (folder)

University Self-Study

Unit Date 1975-1976

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Container 8-9 (folder)

Course Offerings in Religion

Unit Date 1978-1979

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Annual Report

Unit Date 1978-1979

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Hobble Scholarship Fund

Unit Date 1979

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The Study of Philosophy

Unit Date 1981-1982

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Review of the Department

Unit Date 1982

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Religious Studies Program**Unit Date** 1982**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 15 (folder)**Minutes - Religion Faculty****Unit Date** 1982-10-12**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 16 (folder)**Office Space - Henderson****Unit Date** 1982**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Inclusion in the University Coke Curriculum****Unit Date** 1983**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 18 (folder)**Five Year Review Profile****Unit Date** 1984-1989**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 19 (folder)**Religion Course Proposals****Unit Date** 1984**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 20 (folder)**Publicity Articles****Unit Date** 1985-1986**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 21 (folder)**Department Alumni****Unit Date** 1985-2004**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 22 (folder)**Department of Religion****Unit Date** 1986-1988**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 23 (folder)**NEH Challenge Grant****Unit Date** 1986**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 24 (folder)

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James Wiggins - Five Year Review**Unit Date** 1990**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 41 (folder)**Office of the Dean****Unit Date** 1991**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 34 (folder)**Senior Seminar Results****Unit Date** 1992-1993**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 35 (folder)**Special HST/STS Review Committee****Unit Date** 1992**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 36 (folder)**CV: Jacqueline D. Carr-Hamilton****Unit Date** 1993**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 37 (folder)**Annual Report****Unit Date** 1993-1994**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 38 (folder)**Future of the Religion Program****Unit Date** 1993-1994**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 39 (folder)**Restructuring Virginia Tech****Unit Date** 1994**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 40 (folder)**CIS Memorandum****Unit Date** 1994**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 41 (folder)**Special Study Request****Unit Date** 1994**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 42 (folder)

Religious Studies Brochures**Unit Date** 1994-2004**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 43 (folder)**Religious Studies Concentration Approval****Unit Date** 1995**box-folder** 1 (box)**Container** 44 (folder)**Religious Studies Program****Unit Date** 1995**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Major Williams Move****Unit Date** 1995**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Course Offering Sheets****Unit Date** 1996**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Religious Studies Concentration Approval****Unit Date** 1997**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Judaic Studies****Unit Date** 2000**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**50 Year Anniversary of Teaching****Unit Date** 2004**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Religion Department Brochure****Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Space Inventory****Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)

Teaching Manual for LASC 1110, 1130, 1230**Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Information on Philosophy****Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Interdisciplinary Studies****Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)**Graduation Check List****Unit Date** undated**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 12-13 (folder)**Series II: Readings and Newsletters****Unit Date** 1972-1998, undated**Books****Unit Date** 1972-1982**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 14 (folder)**Readings in Medieval Thought****Unit Date** 1982-1983**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 15 (folder)**Spectrum****Unit Date** 1983-09-22**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 16 (folder)**"Teaching about Religion: A Middle Way for Schools" Neilson, Jr.****Unit Date** 1984**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 17 (folder)**CIS Newsletter****Unit Date** 1996-1998**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 18 (folder)

Readings in Roman World and Early Christianity

Unit Date undated

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Container 19 (folder)

Recommended Religious Books

Unit Date undated

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Container 20 (folder)

The College of Arts and Sciences - Virginia Tech Pamphlet

Unit Date undated

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Container 21 (folder)

Series III: Departmental Events

Unit Date 1983-1997

Religion Colloquia

Unit Date 1983

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Container 22 (folder)

Recital: Frank Burch Brown

Unit Date 1985

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Department Lectures

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Islamic Workshop

Unit Date 1986-1987

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Container 25 (folder)

Guest Speakers

Unit Date 1987-1997

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Container 26 (folder)

Levin Visit

Unit Date 1987

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Rustum Roy Visit

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Departmental Lectures**Unit Date** 1991-1992**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 29 (folder)**Larry Rasmussen Visit****Unit Date** 1992**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 30 (folder)**Calvin Visiting Lectureship****Unit Date** 1992**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 31 (folder)**Departmental Lectures****Unit Date** 1993-1994**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 32 (folder)**Guest Speakers****Unit Date** 1997**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 33 (folder)**Series IV: Faculty Records****Unit Date** 1964-2016**Faculty Data Sheet: Norman Grover****Unit Date** 1964**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 34 (folder)**Historical Documents from Guy****Unit Date** 1969**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 35 (folder)**Scope and Content**

"Guy" may refer to Guy Hammond, former chair of the Department of Philosophy and Religion.

CV: Charles A. Kennedy**Unit Date** 1984-1989**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 36 (folder)**Faculty Photos****Unit Date** 1985**box-folder** 2 (box)**Container** 37 (folder)**CV: Frankie J. Neumann, Jr.**

Unit Date 1986-1997

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Guy B. Hammond Retirement

Unit Date 1995

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Guy B. Hammond Leadership

Unit Date 1977-1995

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CV: Elizabeth Struthers Malbon

Unit Date 2016

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Series V: Lane Hall Photographs

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Lane Hall Progress Photos

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Lane Hall Progress Photos

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Unit Date 1996-05

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Container 50 (folder)

Lane Hall Progress Photos

Unit Date 1996-07

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