

Institute of Oceanography fonds

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Fonds Description

Institute of Oceanography fonds. – 1949-1978.

10 m of textual records.

Administrative History

The Institute of Oceanography at the University of British Columbia was established within the Faculty of Graduate Studies in 1949. W.M. Cameron, a UBC zoology graduate, became the first active staff member. Initially, the Institute operated under the direction of the President's Committee on Oceanography which was chaired by W.A. Clemens. In 1953, Clemens was appointed as the Institute's first director, and he served in this capacity until 1958 when George L. Pickard succeeded him. In the late 1950s, grants from the National Research Council further facilitated the development of oceanography at UBC. The Institute enjoyed considerable success in interdisciplinary teaching and research at a time when such an approach was viewed with some skepticism on campus. Graduate degrees could be awarded only by the departments whose faculty were also members of the Institute. In April 1979, the Institute was transferred to the Faculty of Science and became the Dept. of Oceanography.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of miscellaneous files from George Pickard's office (1949- 1974), including records from the Canadian Committee on Oceanography (1960-1972). The bulk of the fonds is composed of departmental files including correspondence, grant material, and financial records. There is also a comprehensive set of oceanographic log sheets containing data collected between 1951 and 1978.

Series Descriptions

Dr. G.L. Pickard series. -- 1949-1974.

92.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of miscellaneous materials from the office of George Pickard. Series includes materials pertaining to the Canadian Committee on Oceanography.

Administration series. -- 1951-1974.

4 m of textual records.

Series consists of correspondence, grants, ledgers, budgets, and registration pertaining to the administration of the Institute of Oceanography.

Oceanographic Log Sheets. -- 1951-1978.

5.26 m of textual records.

Series consists of oceanographic log sheets, inlet plots, and cruise lists.

File List

Box 1

DR. G.L. PICKARD SERIES

Dr. G.L. Pickard - Miscellaneous Files (1949-1974)

Box 2

Dr. G.L. Pickard - Miscellaneous Files (1958)
- Canadian Committee on Oceanography (1960-1962)

Box 3

Dr. G.L. Pickard - Canadian Committee on Oceanography (1963-1972))

ADMINISTRATION SERIES

Box 4

Departmental Correspondence Files "A-H" (1951-1969)

Box 5

Departmental Correspondence Files "I-U" (1951-1969)

Box 6

Departmental Correspondence Files "U" contin. (1951-1969)

Box 7

Departmental Correspondence Files "A-T" (1969-1972)
Departmental Correspondence Files "U" (1969-1974)

Box 8

Departmental Correspondence Files "U" contin. (1969-1974)

Box 9

Departmental Correspondence Files "U" contin. (1969-1974)
Miscellaneous Files (1950-1961, 1970)

Box 10

Departmental Correspondence Files "V-Z (1969-1972)
Departmental Correspondence Files "U" (1973-1974)

Box 11

Departmental Correspondence Files "U" contin. (1973-1974)
Grants - National Research Council (1958-1973)

Box 12

Grants - NRC, Dept. of Transportation, Defense (1974-)
Ledgers (1959-1970)
Budgets (1956-1969)
Registration (1974-1975)

Box 13

S.E. Calvert - Journal (Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta)
Related Material (1978-1980)

Box 14

S.E. Calvert - Journal (Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta)
Related Material

OCEANOGRAPHIC LOG SHEETS SERIES

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1951-1952)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1953-56)

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Oceanographic Log sheets (1957-59)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1959-60)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1961-62)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1963-65)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1966-69)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1970-72)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1972-73)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1973-75)

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Oceanographic Log Sheets (1975-78)

Box 25

Inlet Plots (1951-60)

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Inlet Plots (1961-72)

Box 27

Cruise Lists (1976-78)