Finding Aid to the Theatre Arts Department Records
College of Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences

Theatre Arts Department
Theatre Arts Department records, 1950s-2000s
Record Group 11.4.15

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ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY
The first time a formal drama course was offered was in the 1916-1917 bulletin, under the Department of Public Discussions and Social Services. As of the 1939-1940 bulletin, drama courses were offered under the Speech Department. As of 1965, the bulletins list Speech and Drama. In 1986, the Department of Theatre Arts is listed. By the late 1980s, it was the Department of Mass Communications, Speech Communications, Theatre Arts. By 1992 Theatre Arts had joined the Division of Fine Arts with the Art Department and the Music Department.

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11.4.6.3 Committees, Task Forces, Commissions

Semester Conversion -1990-1992 (2 folders)
Arts in lifetime learning - 1991

11.4.15.4 Correspondence and Memoranda

Fred Walsh (Chair) to Archer Jones (Dean) – correspondence – 1969-1977
University & College Theatre Association – membership certificate - 1974
Shiners Hospital certificate – 1977
Tal Russell to Jim Ubbelohde (Chair) – future of theatre program – 1981
Tal Russell to NDSU Development Foundation – financial support of theatre program – 1981, 1982
Theatre Arts faculty profiles – 1991
Scholarship awards – 1992-1993
Jim and Sonja Ozbun scholarship – memo of understanding – 1994
Alfred G. Arvold Scholarship – 1994
Suspension of graduate program in Theatre Arts – 1998
Criteria for promotion and tenure – theatre arts – 2000
Fund shortfalls – theatre arts – 2000
Scholarship recipient – 2002
New shop supervisors – 2004
Design Team assignments – 2007-2008

11.4.15.5 Curriculum

Summer workshops – theatre, speech correction - 1959
“Theatre Is…” workshop II (with photo) – summer 1979
High School Teachers Workshop – June 1980
Departmental syllabi – 1983-1986 (2 folders)
Teaching major – 1985
Outreach workshops – early 2000s
Theatre Arts – continuing education – 2002
Symposium – Theatre as a socio-political tool – 2002
Northern Boundary Section – Fall workshops at NDSU – 2005
11.4.15.6 Reports and Documents

Budgets – 1967-1968
A plan for the future – 1968-1969
Equipment requests – 1978, 2005 (2 folders)
BFA student directing proposals – 1980
Three Year mid-term review of probationary faculty – 1994
National Association of Schools of Theatre Report – 2007

11.4.15.7 Subjects

Article about NDSU’s stage direction training – 2006

11.4.15.8 Publications

Student handbook for the Theatre Arts Department - 2001-2001
Student handbook for the Theatre Arts Department - 2001-2002
Student handbook for the Theatre Arts Department - 2002-2003
Student handbook for the Theatre Arts Department - 2007-2007

11.4.15.9 Public Relations

Program of study – flyer – 1956
Fine Arts in Drama – brochure – c.1973
Drama – fact sheet – 1977
Theatre on Campus – brochure – 1978
Theatre at NDSU – brochure – late 1970s
Theatre at NDSU – fact sheet – c.1980s
Graduate programs in the Department of Mass Communications, Speech Communication, Theatre Arts – flyer – c. 1984-1990
Theatre Arts – catalog proof copy – early 1990s
Theatre – brochure – c.1992
Theatre Arts – brochure – 1994
Theatre at NDSU – flyer – 1995
Theatre – postcard and bookmark – c.1998
Theatre Arts – fact sheet – 2000
Theatre Arts – program sheet – early 2000s
Spring Drama Days - brochures, fact sheets – 2002
Theatre Arts – fact sheet – 2002
Open House- program – 2003
Theatre Arts – brochure – c.2003
Theatre Arts – Design and Technology - brochure – 2004-2005
Open House – program – 2005
Theatre Classes – promo flyer – n.d,