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## Finding Aid to the Richard W. Bovard Records

### **Bovard, Richard W.**

Richard W. Bovard records, 1969-1998

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Richard Bovard was a faculty member of North Dakota State University from 1972 until his retirement in 2001. He earned his BS in English at Kalamazoo College in 1963 and then his MA in English from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, his home state, in 1964. Continuing on he earned his PhD in English from the University of Denver in Colorado. While he was an assistant instructor of English at the University of Denver (1969-1972) he was selected to fill the position of assistant professor of English at NDSU starting September 1, 1972.

Dr. Bovard was named state director for the American Issues Forum for the 1975-1976 term. Following that he became a member of the graduate committee of the English Department and served on the

Graduate School. He then served on the Program Review Committee and was the winner of the Outstanding Service Award. On July 1, 1978 he was appointed Assistant Dean of the College of University Studies and held that position until 1981. He then served as the Chair of the Department of English from 1981-1991. He also sat on many other committees such as the Catherine Cater Lecture Series Advisory Committee, the Faculty Lectureship Committee, and was the chair of the NDSU Bicentennial Committee. During the school year of 1994-1995 he held the position of Interim Director of the Division of Fine Arts, after which he served as the Interim Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences from 1995-1996. He then followed this position by being appointed the Interim Director of NDSU Libraries from 1997-2000.

Dr. Bovard served NDSU for 29 years before retiring in 2001. On July 1, 2001 he was awarded the title of Emeritus Professor.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT**

This is primarily a subject record series (1969-1998). The series consists of the records kept by Dr. Bovard from the years 1969-1998. They are arranged in an alphabetical order, with the various correspondence files arranged chronologically.

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