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# Isern, Dean Thomas D.

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### **BIOGRAPHY**

Thomas D. Isern was born on May 7, 1952 in Barton County, Kansas and raised on a farm there. He received his Bachelor's degree from Bethany College, Lindsborg, KS in 1974, his Master's from Oklahoma State University in 1975, and his Ph.D., also from Oklahoma State in 1977.

From 1979-1991, he held the positions of Professor of History, Director of Research and Grants, and Chairman of the Division of Social Sciences at Emporia State University, Emporia, Kansas. In 1991 he was a Fulbright Scholar at the National Library of New Zealand.

He was named Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1991 and assumed the duties in January of 1992 upon his return from New Zealand. In May of 1995 he stepped down as Dean to become a Professor in the NDSU History Department.

In addition to being awarded a Fulbright, he has received the NDSU Peltier Award for innovation in teaching and use of computer technology in 1999 and was named the Fargo Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Professor for 2000-2001.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records consist of subject files in alphabetical order.

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