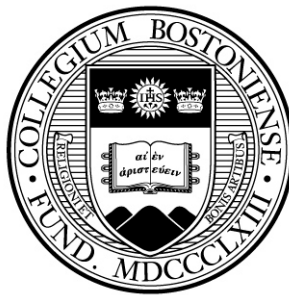


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Summary Information

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Related Materials

Related Materials

Papers of some notable alumni documenting their experience outside of Boston College, and collections pertaining to Boston College and the experience of individuals from perspectives other than that of students, are also available in the Boston College archives, but described separately.

Collections that document the Boston College student experience include:

William J. Flynn papers, BC.1997.077, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Doug Flutie collection, BC.2003.009, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Thomas D. Craven papers, BC.2004.121, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Francis J. Dore, SJ papers, BC.2005.107, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Heather Kelley Carr alumni papers, MS.2015.026, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Boston College Office of Marketing Communications AHANA Reconnect alumni interviews,
BC.2016.046, John J. Burns Library, Boston College.

Historical note

When Boston College opened in 1863, it was designed to serve the children of Boston Catholics and Irish immigrants. After facing opposition from the anti-immigrant Nativist movement, the school's charter provided that no student could be refused admission or denied any honors or degrees because of their religious opinions. The school's classical curriculum was designed to teach boys ranging in age from around fourteen years to about twenty-one years old. The class years were given names such as "Grammer" or "Rhetoric", rather than "freshman" and "sophomore". Later on, Boston College split from Boston College High School, aligning the student age-range of the college with that of most university-level institutions.

In the twentieth century, Boston College's student body slowly changed. Boston College began as a school designed to serve the local population, which shifted slowly during the first half of the twentieth century, and in the 1950s began to change significantly. In 1959, the school's increasing selectivity and growing national reputation is evidenced from the year's admissions statistics: a class of 1,350 freshman was enrolled from 4,300 applicants, and the number of students living on campus had risen to a record 670,300 of whom were freshmen.

As a result of the Civil Rights Movement in the 1950s and 1960s, the Boston College administration and student body pushed for a greater representation of minority students on campus. In the late 1960s, the University established the Black Studies Program. The Black Talent Program offered scholarship to African American students, including 47 new freshmen who entered in 1968.

Although women had been students in the Education, Nursing, and Social Work schools since the early twentieth century, in 1970 Boston College became fully co-educational. The diversity of the Boston College population continued to increase as the representation of women and minority students within the student body grew steadily throughout the latter half of the twentieth century. Continuing the trend towards national and international recognition begun in the 1950s, in the twenty-first century Boston College students hail from nearly all of the United States and over 50 countries.

Sources:

"Boston College Fact & Figures," Boston College, accessed June 4th, 2013, <http://www.bc.edu/about/bc-facts.html>

Donovan, Charles F., S.J., Dunigan, David R., S.J., and FitzGerald, Paul A., S.J. *History of Boston College: From the Beginnings to 1990*. Chestnut Hill, MA: The University Press of Boston College, 1990.

O'Connor, Thomas H. *Ascending the Heights: A Brief History of Boston College from Its Founding to 2008*, Chestnut Hill: Linden Lane Press at Boston College, 2008.

Scope and Contents

This collection documents the student experience at Boston College through materials collected and created by its alumni. Materials include autograph books, correspondence, course notebooks, drawings, ephemera, interviews, medals, needlepoint, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, speeches, student papers, photographs, and poems. Of particular note are academic achievement award medals from the 1860s to the 1910s, given by Boston College for top overall performance in class and as well as top performance in a given field of study. Also included are a limited number of works written by alumni after graduating from Boston College. Small, individual donations of alumni papers are grouped here for ease of discovery because they document a shared experience.

Arrangement

Arranged in two series. I. Boston College experience; and II. Alumni later works. Within series materials are grouped chronologically by graduation year, then alphabetically by alumni last name.

Collection Inventory

Series I: Boston College experience

Class of 1871

Barron, James; first class in arithmetic medal, 1866 box 23

Class of 1876

Tierney, Maurice J.; mathematics third class medal, 1872 box 23

Class of 1877

Hart, Stephen J.

French, grammar, mathematics, and rhetoric medals,
1872-1876 box 23

Literary exhibition by class of 1877 program, photographs of
memorial stone, 1877, circa 1986 box 1 folder 1

Class of 1879

Riordan, Daniel L.; photographic portraits, circa 1870s-1880s box 1 folder 2

Shannon, James W.; book keeping medal , 1875 box 23

Sullivan, Henry A.; mathematics first class medal, 1877 box 23

Class of circa 1879

Chapman, John William; classics notebook, 1879 box 9

Class of 1880

Doody, Michael James; in memoriam program, 1926 box 1 folder 3

Class of 1881

Brinnan (Brinnin), Timothy J.; algebra medal, 1876 box 23

Flynn, Edward James

Autograph book, 1878-1881 box 21

Biography, newspaper clippings, correspondence, 1889-1903 box 4 folder 3

Quirk, John F.

Correspondence, newspaper clippings, prayer cards, 1874-1904	box 1	folder 4
Louisiana Purchase Exposition commemorative medal; Boston College medals for arithmetic, chemistry, mental philosophy, physics and rhetoric, 1874-1904	box 13	

Class of 1884

Aylward, James F., 1881-1940		
Correspondence, speeches, and obituary, 1898-1940	box 4	folder 4-7
Political scrapbook, 1884-1937	box 4	folder 8
Theater scrapbook, 1881-1938	box 7	
Coakley, Timothy W.		
"Fourth of July Oration: The American Race" given in Faneuil Hall on July 4, 1906, autographed in 1911 for Charles Birmingham; and clipping commemorating fifty years since Coakley's death, 1906-1911, 1964	box 4	folder 9
Poems "Prophetic Ode to Boston College" and "The College Beautiful", 1908, undated	box 4	folder 10
Corbett, Edward; arithmetic first class and grammar second class medals, 1878, 1880	box 23	
Marden, Henry H.; algebra first class medal, 1880	box 23	

Class of 1885

O'Brien, Florence J.; senior debating society medal, 1883 June 28	box 23	
Supple, Patrick J.; French and German academic medals, 1883-1884	box 24	

Class of 1887

Delaney, John B.; reception program, 1904	box 1	folder 5
Russell, William D.; correspondence, 1887-1953 (1952-1953)	box 1	folder 6

Class of 1889

Maley, Francis W.		
Mathematics medals, 1887-1888	box 23	
Notebook, late 1880s	box 17	

Class of 1891

Whelan, William B.; Boston College insignia medal, 1891	box 24	
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Class of 1894

Regan, David F.; academic medals, 1891-1894 box 24

Class of 1897

Sweeney, John C.; analytical chemistry medal, 1896 box 24

Class of 1900

Supple, James A.; sophomore b medal, 1898 box 24

Class of 1902

Mulroy, James T.; correspondence, invitations, programs, 1902, 1915 box 4 folder 11

Class of 1904

Lydon, Patrick; English literature notebook, 1903 box 10

Maloney, Frederick R.; academic medals, 1901-1903 box 23

Class of 1910

Birmingham, Charles A.

Academic hood and cap from honorary degree award, 1934 box 25

Brushes given to him by Boston College President Gallagher during Commencement for his honorary degree, 1934 box 22

Clothes worn during receipt of his honorary degree: morning suit vest, gloves, tie, and scarf, 1934 box 20

Harvard Law School class of 1925 graduation and reunion photographs, and "The Lawyers Creed", 1925-1965 box 18 folder 1-2

Legal award and St. Vincent Sunday School medals, 1900-1916 box 23
box 24

Class of 1914

Keohane, John Stephen, student paper *Conscience: The Subjective Norm*, 1914 December 18 box 1 folder 7

Class of 1915

Wennerberg, Frederick W.; short fiction by Raphael Johnson in *The Messenger of the Sacred Heart* (clippings), 1938-1942 box 1 folder 8

Class of 1917

Laverty, Anthony P.; philosophy notebook, 1917	box 8	
Class of circa 1919		
Sullivan, James L.; classics first year medal, 1919	box 23	
Class of 1920		
Mackey, Philip F.; course notebook for Mechanics, Minor and Major Logic, Ontology, and Oratory, circa 1920	box 5	
Ring, John D.		
Correspondence, 1920	box 4	folder 12
Leather-bound first volume of <i>The Heights</i> , given to editor Ring by the staff, 1920	box 11	
Class of 1924		
Barry, Edmund H.; photographs, correspondence, newspaper clippings, 1941-1984	box 4	folder 13-14
Kellaheer, James A.		
Boston High School ephemera; Boston College certificates, photographs, and programs, 1924-1974	box 1	folder 9-11
Photograph album, circa 1924	box 15	
Photographic portraits of classmates (individual), 1924	box 14	
Class of 1925		
Tobin, James E.; <i>Art in Boston College</i> booklet, 1925	box 1	folder 12
Class of 1929		
Shea, Leo		
Athletics clippings and theater program, 1927-circa 1940s	box 1	folder 13-14
Photographic portraits of classmates (individual), 1929	box 16	
Campus photographs, circa 1929	box 18	
Class of 1931		
Hart, Peter F.; Cotton Bowl scrapbook, 1939-1940	box 28	
Class of 1932		
Nicholson, George H.; correspondence, 1932-1945	box 4	folder 15
Class of 1933		

Hayas, John Thomas; photographic portrait, circa 1933	box 1	folder 15
Class of 1934		
Kenny, Herbert A.; <i>A Boston Picture Book</i> , authored with Barbara Westman, published by Houghton Mifflin Company, 1975	box 1	folder 16
Class of 1935		
Kelley, Joseph Christopher; diploma, 1935	Shared box 1763	
Class of 1938		
Gill, Richard Murray		
Correspondence, newspaper clipping, 1940, 1947	box 4	folder 16
Scrapbook, 1933-1938	box 19	
Class of 1940		
Groden, Joseph; <i>The First to Fight at Pearl Harbor</i> interview conducted by David Stephenson (transcript), undated	box 1	folder 17
Class of 1941		
Kerr, George V.; testimonial dinner program, newspaper clipping, 1941, undated	box 4	folder 17
Class of 1942		
Flanagan, Thomas J.; flying club description and membership card, circa 1940s	box 1	folder 18
LaRoche, Gérard; sketches and memoirs, 1944, 1995	box 1	folder 19-20
Lyons, Bill; copies of poetry chapbooks <i>The Far Horizon</i> (1963) and <i>If I Am Enough of a Brother</i> (1985) annotated by the author for gift to Boston College, 1994	box 4	folder 18
Class of 1943		
Currivan, Donald; photograph, circa 1939-1943	box 1	folder 21
Heath, Thomas; <i>Proud Refrain and Other Poems</i> , 1940s-1950s	box 1	folder 22
Holovak, Michael; program booklet, 2001 October 4	box 1	folder 23
Class of 1944		
Doherty, Ed; football honors, 1982-1998	box 1	folder 24

Doherty, Francis W.; photograph, 1944 August	box 4	folder 19
White, Donald J.; correspondence, ephemera, and photographs, 1940-1942	box 4	folder 20-24
Class of 1947		
Jennings, Edward; Class Day program and speech, 1947	box 4	folder 25
Class of 1951		
Crosby, George S.; photographs, 1949-1950	box 1	folder 25
Class of 1953		
50th anniversary yearbook materials, 2003	box 1	folder 26
Class of 1955		
Ticket to Victory Dance sponsored by Class of 1955, 1954	box 4	folder 26
Class of 1959		
Grady, Elizabeth; ephemera from the School of Nursing, alumni events, and BC anniversaries, 1959-2009	box 1	folder 27-38
Class of 1961		
Triggs, Patricia Bedard		
Correspondence, ephemera, School of nursing coursework, 1956-1961, undated	box 1	folder 39-50
Nursing care studies and plans of nursing care, 1959	box 26	folder 9-10
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Class of 1962		
Eisenhauer, Laurel; correspondence, class photograph, ephemera, and School of Nursing coursework, 1956-1962	box 2	folder 1-3
Class of 1966		
Baird, Dane E.; correspondence, 1992-1996	box 3	folder 20
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School of Nursing ephemera, 1963-1965	box 2	folder 4
Sigma Theta Tau Founders Award plaque, 1981	box 6	

School of Nursing apparel; caps, collar, ribbon, circa 1960s	box 13	
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School of Nursing lantern, undated	box 13	
Tilley, Martha		
Non-assembled nurses caps, circa 1960s	box 20	
Nursing uniform buttons, between 1962-1966	box 23	
School of Nursing and Boston College Nurses Association ephemera, 1961-1966, 1998 (1961-1966)	box 2	folder 5-6
Class of 1967		
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Keith, Roger; "Indelible Impressions" reminiscence of Boston College, undated	box 2	folder 8
Lambert, Jack Jr.; slides of BC campus and events (including athletics, Camelot drama club, homecoming, President Walsh, and Cardinal Cushing), 1964-1967	box 4	folder 27-33
Thibodeau, Philippe; notebook with reflections on the assassination of President Kennedy and transcription, ordination materials, 1963-1978	box 2	folder 9-11
Class of 1968		
Downey, Daniel; commencement ball champagne coupes, 1968	box 27	
McDonald, William; correspondence, ephemera, and student works, 1963-1968, 2018	box 2	folder 16-19
Class of 1975		
Kaufman, Roberta: photographs of Boston College buildings, 2004	box 2	folder 12
Class of 1976		
Carlock, Arthur; "Spirit of 1776" needlepoint, 1976	box 17	
Class of 1984		
Mullen, Christopher; transcripts of interviews of Boston College students, faculty, and staff, 1986-1987	box 26	folder 1-8

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Class of 1986

Short, Kelly; "The Heights at Boston College" student paper, 1985 box 2 folder 13

Class of 1992

O'Dwyer Smith, Richard Redon; *Expanding and Fulfilling Spiritual and Ethical Horizons: The Role of Boston College as a Jesuit, Catholic University*, 1992 box 2 folder 14

Class of 1994

Iannalfo, Marina; "College Housing Tradition: From the 12th to the 20th Century" student paper, 1993 December 8 box 2 folder 15

Series II: Later alumni works

Class of 1877

Connolly, Arthur T.; correspondence, "New England and Catholicism" typescript, and passport, 1888-1928 box 4 folder 1-2

Class of 1915

Linnehan, James M.; autobiography, circa 1942 box 2 folder 20
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Class of 1923

Dullea, Edward C.; diary of civilian life during World War II, teaching history in Boston Public Schools, and experiences as a Boston College alumnus. Transcribed by Katherine Dullea Hogan, 1940-1945, 1999 (1940-1945) box 3 folder 1-2

Class of 1924

Kilcoyne, Francis P.; research on Shelia Kaye-Smith, 1937-1953, undated box 2 folder 21-24

Class of 1931

Doherty, Felix; Play typescripts: *The Son of Man*, and *A House Divided: Eleven Plays on the Reformation*, 1939, circa 1970s box 3 folder 3-14

Class of 1933

Brennan, Joseph G.; literature and philosophy scholarship, including military ethics and works on Ford Madox Ford, Thomas Mann, and Alfred North Whitehead, 1934-1995	box 3	folder 15-25
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Class of 1960

Falvey, John J. "Jack"; business article typescripts and research proposals, 1980-1992	box 3	folder 26-27
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Class of 1963

Costley, William K.; poems, correspondence, postcards, programs, newspaper clippings, 1979 November 15 - 1980 July	box 3	folder 28
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Tierney, Thomas K.; "Landshark Alpha" typescript (concerning Vietnam), 1983	box 3	folder 29
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