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Chancellor's Papers (A1)

The Chancellor's Papers comprise a large record group and cover much of the period through the administration of Samuel Schuman. The materials are further divided into a number of discreet record series: Regents Materials, Budget, Campus Buildings, University Committees, UMM Committees, Syllabi, Enrollment, Financial Aid, Legislative Relations, All-University Senate, Student Organizations, Legal and Artifacts, and Miscellaneous and Correspondence. The latter record series proved to be unwieldy and in 2010 was reorganized into 22 record sub-series. These materials provide much of the administrative history of the campus.

Upon the establishment of UMM in 1960, Rodney Briggs, who had been hired to serve as superintendent of the West Central School of Agriculture and oversee the transition to the college program, was named Dean. Briggs served in this position until 1969 at which time John Q. Imholte was named Provost. In 1985 the title of the office was changed to Chancellor, and Imholte continued in that role until his return to the classroom in 1990. David Johnson replaced Imholte, and he, in turn, was succeeded by Samuel Schuman, originally in an interim role, in 1998. Jacqueline Johnson followed Schuman in 2006.

UMM Miscellaneous and Correspondence (A1-K)

Materials in this series address a broad range of topics, including, advising, energy, alumni relations, administrative reorganization, annual reports, animal facilities, biographical sketches, community outreach, computer information, counseling and course offerings, disability services, institutional data, and safety and planning.

The record series which was originally haphazardly organized and unwieldy has been reorganized into twenty-two categories and assigned locator numbers: A1-K-a to A1-K-v.

Honors, Awards, Scholarships, and Grants (A1-K-m)

Materials in this sub-series, consisting mainly of correspondence, memoranda, reports and rosters, address a wide range of topics having to do with honors and awards. Of special interest are the files documenting the awards and honors bestowed on members of the first graduating class in 1964 and materials focusing on the "Distinguished Service(s) Award." This award honored off-campus individuals who had accomplished meritorious service in support of the college. A few files detail award winners at commencement. Both Delbert Peterson and Stanley Wenberg were award winners, and "Wenberg's Remarks at Distinguished Services Award Banquet" contains a transcript of his banquet speech detailing the politics behind the founding of the campus.

Some materials here reflect on various celebrations, banquets and receptions. They also document efforts to raise scholarship money, such as through the "Donor Scholarship Banquet" in 1975, and other efforts at fund raising. The file entitled "Scholarship Fund Drives, 1980-81" contains an interesting letter written by ex-Governor Elmer Benson rejecting a request for a scholarship donation.

The sub-series contains a single file for the Morris Alumni Teaching award (1991) and a long series of files on Horace T. Morse Award winners (1969-85).

Misfiled but still of interest are the number of files on "Summer Scholars." This program recruited high school students for a two-week, intensive course taught by UMM professors.

Correspondents: John Q. Imholte, David Johnson, Bettina Blake, Laird Barber, Ted ? Underwood.

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