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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.

Sports (A1-K-r)

These materials document the shifting issues and concerns of the various chancellors as they sought to balance the mission and the culture of the college with the its participation in intercollegiate athletics. Although a few folders contain materials having to do with intramurals and athletic clubs, the vast majority of these records involve the athletic department and intercollegiate sports. Important issues discussed include funding, scholarships, conference affiliation and UMM's membership in national athletic organizations. Of particular interest, then, are the materials from David Johnson's chancellorship that accompanied the switch from the NAIA to the NCAA II. Also of interest are materials documenting the growing role of women athletes in the wake of Title IX. An early file from the 1960s, "Women's Recreation Association," help chronicle an early attempt on the part of UMM women to organize recreational sports. Some material in a file labeled "Intercollegiate Athletics, 1993-94" reflect the fallout from the so-called "Halloween Incident" and its impact on the wrestling program.

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