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Biographical/Historical Note: The Glasgow Normal School opened February 9, 1875 as the Glasgow Normal Institute under the ownership of Professor A. W. Mell (1855-1931). When first established it was chiefly a common school, but was chartered under a board of trustees on March 9, 1876 as the "Glasgow Normal School."

Mell operated the school out of the former Urania College building in Glasgow, Kentucky. In 1882, J. Tom Williams became his partner and head of the business department. When over three hundred students enrolled in the fall of 1883, Mell and Williams sought community financial support to expand their facilities. Support was not forthcoming, however, and they decided to relocate to Bowling Green when citizens there subscribed $3,000 for the move.

Controversy raged through the summer of 1884 over Mell and Williams' right to move the school. Ultimately, they took most of the faculty, students and equipment with them, leaving behind only the Glasgow school building and charter. They called their new school the "Southern Normal School and Business College."

The Glasgow Normal School reopened in the fall of 1884 under its new head,
J. M. Stallworth. Ruric N. Roark succeeded him in 1885, and was in turn succeeded in 1889 by F. M. Malone. J. R. Alexander and H. McD. Fletcher took over in the summer of 1890, but left after one term to join Mell and Williams in Bowling Green, effectively signalling the end of the Glasgow Normal School.

Additional information regarding the Glasgow Normal School is available online at:

http://www.wku.edu/Library/dlsc/ua/165.htm

Description: Records created by and regarding Glasgow Normal School. The collection consists mainly of publications, commencement programs and diplomas. There is also a typescript alumni list of undetermined origin.

Originally, this was an artificial collection made up of photocopies of records located in other locations in Special Collections. A reworking of the collection has resulted in links to the original materials located elsewhere in the collections. The collection is arranged in three series:

Series 1. Publications

Publications created by and about the Glasgow Normal School. The series includes the first catalog, a pamphlet and James Cornette's history of the school.

Series 2. Clippings

This series consists of an advertisement clipped from the April 28, 1888 Louisville *Courier-Journal.*

Series 3. Commencement

Commencement programs for various years 1876, 1880 and 1884. These do not give a complete list of students. This series also contains a list of alumni and diplomas.

Dates: 1876-1890; 1938

Extent: 9 folders

Subject Analytics:
Coakley, L.W.
Commencement ceremonies
Cornette, James
DeVasher, George
Diplomas
Glasgow Normal School

Accession Information:
These records were transferred to the University Archives upon its creation.

Access Restrictions:
No restrictions

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Finding Aid Report

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UA95	**Records**	**Date**	
Level	**Fonds/Coll**		
Title	**UA95 Glasgow Normal School**		
Collection	**University Archives**		
Scope & Content	**Records created by and regarding Glasgow Normal School. The collection consists mainly of publications, commencement programs and diplomas. There is also a typescript alumni list of undetermined origin.** **Originally, this was an artificial collection made up of photocopies of records located in other locations in Special Collections. A reworking of the collection has resulted in links to the original materials located elsewhere in the collections. The collection is arranged in three series:** **Series 1. Publications** **Series 2. Clippings** **Series 3. Commencement**		

Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
None				

UA95.1	**Records**	**Date**	
Level	**Series**	**Linked to**	**UA95**
Title	**UA95 Glasgow Normal School Series 1. Publications**		
Collection	**University Archives**		
Scope & Content	**Publications created by and about the Glasgow Normal School. The series includes the first catalog, a pamphlet and James Cornette's history of the school.**		

Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
Box 1	1	Glasgow Normal School	1875	Catalog
Box 1	2	Glasgow Normal School	1880	Special Announcement Subjects Pamphlets
Box 1	3	Cornette, James	1938	Glasgow Normal School
Description	Reprint of James Cornette's research regarding Glasgow Normal School.			

UA95.2	**Records**	**Date**	
Level	**Series**	**Linked to**	**UA95**
Title	**UA95 Glasgow Normal School Series 2. Ads**		
Collection	**University Archives**		
Scope & Content	**This series consists of an advertisement clipped from the April 28, 1888 Louisville Courier-Journal.**		

Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
Box 1	4	Glasgow Normal School	1884	Advertisement
Description	Louisville Courier-Journal clipping			

UA95.3	**Records**	**Date**	
Level	**Series**	**Linked to**	**UA95**
Title	**UA95 Glasgow Normal School Series 3. Commencement**		
Collection	**University Archives**		
Scope & Content	**Commencement programs for various years 1876, 1880 and 1884. These do not give a complete list of students. This series also contains a list of alumni and diplomas.**		

Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title		
Box 1	5-7	Glasgow Normal School	1876-1884	Commencement Programs		
					Subjects	Graduation ceremonies Programs
Box 1	8	Glasgow Normal School	1876-1907	Alumni List		
Description	List of alumni of unidentified origins, probably includes alumni of the Southern Normal School after 1890.				Subjects	Alumni & alumnae
OS Box		Glasgow Normal School	1884-1866	Diplomas		
Description	Coakley, L.W. DeVasher, George				Subjects	Diplomas