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Western Kentucky University

UA3 President's Office

Series 4 Dero Downing

Subseries 6 Publications

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Administrative History: The president's office was created in 1906. The search for the fourth president of WKU began with Kelly Thompson's resignation announcement May 21, 1969. Vice President for Administrative Affairs Dero Downing indicated that he would serve if asked. The Board of Regents elected him president on August 22, 1969. He served until his retirement in 1979.

Dero Downing was born September 10, 1921 at Fountain Run in Monroe County, Kentucky, and grew up at Horse Cave in Hart County. He enrolled at WKU in 1939 where he played basketball and earned both a bachelor's and master's degree. After serving in the Navy in World War II, he returned to Western as a mathematics teacher and coach at the College's Training School. He later became director of the Training School, college registrar, dean of admissions, dean of business affairs, and vice-president for administrative and business affairs. Upon his resignation as president in 1979 Downing became president of the College Heights Foundation, a position he held until his death on April 4, 2011.

Description: Publications created by and about the president's office during Dero Downing's administration.

Dates: 1962-1978

Extent: 3 folders, 2 notebooks

Subject Analytics:

Downing, Dero Goodman, 1921-2011

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Accession Information: These records transferred to WKU Archives upon its creation.

Access Restrictions: none

Allied Materials:

[UA2 Board of Regents](#)

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Finding Aid Report

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UA3.4.6	Records	Date
Level	Subseries	Linked toUA3.4
Title	UA3 President's Office	
Collection	Series 4 Dero Downing	
Scope & Content	Subseries 6 Publications	
	WKU Archives	
	Publications created by and about the president's office during Dero Downing's administration.	

Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
Box 1	Book 2	WKU President's Office - Downing	1969-1973	For Your Information - Series 2
Description	Informational sheet distributed to faculty and staff generally after Board of Regents' meetings. Contain a summary of the meeting minutes and announcements regarding campus events and administration changes. Selected issues have been digitized and are available online: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/			Subjects Western Kentucky University Graduation ceremonies Homecomings
	Vol. I, No. 1 through Vol. 4, No. 6			
	Enrollment Regents (WKU) Salaries Third District Education Association			
Box 1	Book 1	WKU President's Office - Downing	1962-1969	For Your Information - Series 1
Description	Informational sheet distributed to faculty and staff. Contain announcements regarding campus events and administration changes. This series is available online: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/			Subjects Western Kentucky University Graduation ceremonies Homecomings
	Sept. 20, 1962 Oct. 9, 1962 Oct. 24, 1962 Nov. 9, 1962 Nov. 19, 1962 Jan. 14, 1963 Oct. 14, 1966 Oct. 11, 1968 July 10, 1969			
	Vol. I, Nos. 6, 8-13, 15-16 Vol. III, Nos. 5-6 Vol. IV, Nos. 1-6 Vol. V, Nos. 1-6 Vol. VI, Nos. 1-6 Vol. VII, Nos. 1-6 Vol. VIII, Nos. 1, 1-4, 6 Vol. IX, Nos. 1-3, 5			
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Third District Education Association

Box 1	1	WKU President's Office - Downing	1973-1974	For Your Information - Series 2	
Description	Informational sheet distributed to faculty and staff generally after Board of Regents' meetings. Contain a summary of the meeting minutes and announcements regarding campus events and administration changes. Selected issues have been digitized and are available online: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/			Subjects	Western Kentucky University Graduation ceremonies Homecomings
	Vol. 5, No. 1 through Vol. 6, No. 6				
	Enrollment Regents (WKU) Salaries Third District Education Association				
Box 1	2	WKU President's Office - Downing	1975-1977	For Your Information - Series 2	
Description	Informational sheet distributed to faculty and staff generally after Board of Regents' meetings. Contain a summary of the meeting minutes and announcements regarding campus events and administration changes. Selected issues have been digitized and are available online: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/			Subjects	Western Kentucky University Graduation ceremonies Homecomings
	Vol. 7, No. 1 through Vol. 9, No. 6				
	Enrollment Regents (WKU) Salaries Third District Education Association				
Box 1	3	WKU President's Office - Downing	1977-1978	For Your Information - Series 2	
Description	Informational sheet distributed to faculty and staff generally after Board of Regents' meetings. Contain a summary of the meeting minutes and announcements regarding campus events and administration changes. Selected issues have been digitized and are available online: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/			Subjects	Western Kentucky University Graduation ceremonies Homecomings
	Vol. 10, No. 1 through Vol. 11, No. 1				
	Enrollment Regents (WKU) Salaries Third District Education Association				