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## UA1C2/31 Garrett Conference Center Photos

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### UA1C2 WKU Archives Building & Structures Photos

### Subseries 31 Garrett Conference Center Photos

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**Administrative History:** Artificial collection created by WKU Archives to group Garrett Conference Center images together. The majority of the photos are from WKU sources, but some donated by individuals.

Other names of building - Paul L. Garrett Student Center, Student Union Building  
Date Built - began 1952, completed in 1953  
Cost of construction - \$700,000  
Expansion - \$1.2 million  
Architects - J. Maurice Ingram and John F. Wilson of Louisville and Lexington

Namesake - Paul Loos Garrett was born in Waddy, Shelby County, Kentucky, on November 2, 1893. He earned an A.B. degree at Georgetown (KY) College in 1914 majoring in history and political science and an M.A. in 1935 in psychology and education. He did more graduate work at the University of Chicago and the University of Kentucky. He was awarded an honorary LL.D. from Georgetown College in 1938. After a brief stint in the army during World War I he went on to teach at several high schools throughout Kentucky, becoming superintendent of city schools at Versailles in 1924. In February 1937 Garrett took a leave of absence to serve in A.B. Chandler's administration as director of the Division of Personnel Efficiency. [Harrison, p. 110]

History - "The completely air-conditioned Paul L. Garrett Student Center provides the Western campus with approximately three times its former space for student activities. The ground floor contains two cafeterias and accompanying kitchen facilities. Combined seating capacity for the two cafeterias is six-hundred and ninety-three. The first and second floors house fourteen meeting rooms, three conference rooms, the Snack Bar, Post Office, Center Store, Memorial Room and Faculty Room. One of the most magnificent features of the new structure is the Ballroom on the second floor, a spacious room that seats approximately one thousand for banquets and provides a beautiful setting for student dances and other activities." [The Paul L. Garrett Student Center open house, Oct. 23, 1965]

#### Additions:

1964 - expansion to triple the size began; additions to the lower level and to the 3rd floor, cafeteria was enlarged (app. \$1.2 million)

**Description:** Images of Garrett Conference Center.

**Dates:** 1951-present

**Extent:** 8 folders, 16 negatives, 6 slides

**Subject Analytics:**

Cafeterias

Dining Services (WKU)

Garrett Conference Center (WKU)

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**Allied Materials:**

Images with [UA1C2/31 prefix](#)

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# Finding Aid Report

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<b>UA1C2.31</b>	<b>Print, Photographic</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Level</b>	<b>Subseries</b>	<b>Linked toUA1C2</b>
<b>Title</b>	<b>UA1C WKU Archives Photograph Collection</b>	
<b>Collection</b>	<b>Series 2 Buildings &amp; Structures</b>	
<b>Scope &amp; Content</b>	<b>Subseries 31 Garrett Conference Center Photos</b>	
	<b>WKU Archives</b>	
	<b>Images of Garrett Conference Center.</b>	

## Container List

<b>Container</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Creator</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Title</b>
NC	N5476-N5489	WKU Archives		Garrett Conference Center Subjects Negatives
NC	N13168-N13169	WKU Archives		Negatives
Description	Garrett Conference Center			Subjects Cafeterias
PC	F1170-F1171	WKU Archives		Garrett Conference Center
Description	6			Subjects Cafeterias
PC	F1165-F1168	WKU Archives		Garrett Conference Center Subjects Negatives Snow Construction Architectural drawings
PC	F1172	WKU Archives		Garrett Conference Center Subjects Postcards Architectural drawings Renderings
PC	F1544	WKU Archives		Garrett Conference Center Subjects Cafeterias Students Buffets (Furniture) Food Salads
SC	S4012-S4017	WKU Archives	1963-1970	Slides
Description	Garrett Conference Center			