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Series 5 Departments

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Administrative History: Ogden College opened September 3, 1877 with President James Wightman presiding. A charter was obtained from the state legislature on March 8, 1878. The school was located on Thomas Calvert's farm in a building originally used by Warren College. In 1923 Perry Snell pledge \$20,000 for the construction of Snell Hall which had an estimated cost of \$50,000.

The original curriculum consisted of a two-year preparatory course and a four-year college course. This varied over time. Accreditation was an ongoing issue. The largest enrollment was 162 students in 1918. The school was served by ten presidents the last several acting as faculty chairs.

In November 1927 Regent R.C.P. Thomas leased Ogden College campus, which consisted of three buildings on seven acres and a 140 acre farm, to Western Kentucky State Normal School & Teachers College for a period of 20 years to begin January 1, 1928. Ogden College was to be named Ogden Department of Science with proceeds from the endowment to support the department. Student records were transferred to the custody of Western. This was effectively the end of Ogden College.

Description: Records created by and regarding the departments of Ogden College. Series contains brief records from the Athletic, English and Science departments.

Dates: 1893-1924, nd

Extent: .2 cu. ft.

Subject Analytics:

Athletics

Curriculum

English language

Ogden College (Bowling Green, KY)

Science

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UA97.5	Records	Date
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Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
		English (OC)	1919-1922	Textbooks
Description	Books on display in Snell Hall.			
	Epochs of American History Everyday English Les Miserables Problems of Conduct			
Box 1	3-9	Athletics (OC)	1893-1924	Athletics & Athletics Association
Description	Basketball Team, nd D4713			
			Subjects	Football Letterheads Banquets Tickets Basketball
	Blackwell, ? Covington, ? Gilbreath, ? Helm, ? Honaker, ? Lazarus, ? Long, ? McGinley, William Madison, ? Peete, Weldon Wilson, ?			
Box 1	10-11	Science (OC)	1917-1918; nd	Science
Description	Owen, John			
			Subjects	Letterheads