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**Manuscript Group 229
Dr. Barbara Balsiger Collection (University Museum)**

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Dr. Barbara Balsiger Collection; Manuscript Group 228
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1 box; 1 linear foot

Biographical

Dr. Barbara Balsiger (June 30, 1927-October 15, 2011) was born in Bradford, Pennsylvania., she was the daughter of James C. and Georgina Kahle Balsiger of Rixford, Pennsylvania. She received her bachelor's degree in English history and art from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), a master's degree in art history from the University of Iowa and she was the first woman to receive a history of art doctorate from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Balsiger was awarded a Fulbright scholarship, studying in Austria. As a professor at IUP, she founded the art history program and the University Museum (see Record Group 68). The University Museum at IUP was founded in 1976. Dr. Balsiger also taught in the Otto-Eldred and Bradford, Pennsylvania school systems. After retiring from the Indiana University of Pennsylvania, she moved to Florida.

Scope and Content

This collection includes awards, documents, family materials, memorabilia, photographs, pewter gifts, and personal items belonging to and documenting the life and career of Dr. Barbara Balsiger.

Provenance

This collection was donated by the family of Dr. Barbara Balsiger and the University Museum: <https://www.iup.edu/museum/>

Restrictions

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Processor

The collection was organized and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on February 22, 2019.

Container List

Box 1 (under construction)