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1 boxes; 1 linear foot**

Scope and Content

This collection contains three documents from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction, which are relevant to the creation of Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP). These documents pertain to the ability of Indiana State Normal School (ISNS) to confer collegiate undergraduate degrees in 1926, the creation of Indiana State Teachers College in 1927, and the ability of Indiana State Teachers College to confer graduate degrees in 1957.

Provenance

Office of the President ([Record Group 11](#)) or the Council of Trustees ([Record Group 3](#)).

Restrictions

This collection is open for research.

Processor

The collection was processed and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on December 23, 2014.

Container List

Vault Cabinet (3 documents)

1. Encapsulated mounted document (14x22): To the Board of Trustees of the State Normal School at Indiana: petition ... for power to confer degrees ... considered by the State Council of Education ... Council at its meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on June 4, 1926, passed a resolution authorizing the State Normal School at Indiana to confer degrees as follows: the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED) to graduates in course of the following four-year curriculum (Elementary Education, Junior High School, and Commercial Education); the degree of Bachelor of Science in Public School Music to graduates in course of the four-year curriculum in Public School Music; and the degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics to graduates in course of the four-year curriculum in Home Economics ... signed by Frances B. Haas, President, State Council of Education, Department of Public Instruction; and James N. Rule, Secretary, State Council of Education, June 4, 1926 – Signifies first four-year collegiate degree awarded in 1927 (see [Record Group 35 Commencement](#))
2. Document mounted on cardboard: May 20, 1927, to the Board of Trustees of the State Normal School at Indiana: General Assembly of 1927 amended Section 1307 of the Administrative Code (Act No. 164) dealing with the powers and duties of the State Council of Education, and authorized the State Council to change the name of any State Normal School to State Teachers College and designate the certificates and degrees which such colleges shall confer ... at its stated meeting held May 13, 1927, the State Council of Education, by formal resolution, authorized change of the name of the State Normal School at Indiana (ISNS) to the State Teachers College at Indiana (ISTC), effective at the close of the school year, May 31, 1927 ... signed John A. H. Keith, President (ISNS Principal, 1917-1927), State Council of Education; and James N. Rule,

Secretary, State Council of Education (transition from Indiana State Normal School to Indiana State Teachers College)

3. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction, State Council of Education, To the Board of Trustees of the State Teachers College at Indiana: The application of the State Teachers College at Indiana, Pennsylvania, for power to confer Master's degrees, having been duly presented and considered by the State Council of Education ... the said Council at its meeting held in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, on January 7, 1959, passed a resolution authorizing the State Teachers College at Indiana to confer the degree of Master of Education ... signed by Charles H. Boehm, President, State Council of Education; and Harold F. Alderfer, Secretary, State Council of Education (graduate degree programs started at Indiana State Teachers College in 1957, this document signifies the transition from Indiana State Teachers College to Indiana State College in 1959, see [Record Group 18 Graduate School](#))