

# UBC Archives

## Sources for researching the history of nursing and the history of the UBC School of Nursing

### **Institutional records**

#### School of Nursing fonds

(inventory: [https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/nursing.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/nursing.pdf))

- administrative records, including some curriculum and course materials, from the Department/School of Nursing, along with photographs, scrapbooks and other historical memorabilia

#### Guided Independent Study fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/rice.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/rice.pdf))

#### Centre for Learning, Teaching, and Technology fonds ([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/ctlit.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/ctlit.pdf))

- correspondence and continuing education course materials, including many for nursing
- Inventories of other institutional records which may include documentation of the UBC nursing programme are listed at <https://archives.library.ubc.ca/textual-records/>

Please note that access to university records is governed by provincial Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPOP) legislation. Requests for institutional records must be reviewed by Archives staff. Also, a Research Agreement will be required.

### **Manuscript collections**

#### Ethel Johns fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/johns.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/johns.pdf))

- first director of UBC School of Nursing (1919-25)

#### Margaret Street fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/street.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/street.pdf)) author of Ethel Johns biography *Watch-Fires on the Mountains* (1973)

- includes correspondence, transcripts of interviews, copies of Johns' addresses and publications (including portions of an unfinished autobiography), and drafts of the book.

#### Eileen Flanagan fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/flanagan.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/flanagan.pdf))

- includes personal correspondence from Ethel Johns

#### Mabel Gray fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/gray.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/gray.pdf))

UBC Nursing director (1925-44)

- includes personal correspondence as well as speeches and publications on various aspects of nursing

### Verna Huffman Splane sous-fonds

(part of the Richard and Verna Splane fonds)

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/splane\\_fonds.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/splane_fonds.pdf))

- leader and educator in public health nursing in Canada and internationally
- includes both personal and professional correspondence related to UBC, the World Health Organization, and various nursing associations

### Alison Rice fonds

([https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/rice.pdf](https://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/rice.pdf))

- documenting development of and links between nursing, women's health, and midwifery

### UBC Professors Emeriti Oral History Project

([http://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u\\_arch/profsoral.pdf](http://www.library.ubc.ca/archives/u_arch/profsoral.pdf))

- includes recorded interviews with Margaret Street documenting her time at UBC School of Nursing
- also included in Open Collections (<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/archivesav>)

Inventories of other manuscript collections which may include documentation of the history of nursing are listed at <https://archives.library.ubc.ca/textual-records/>

## Photographs

(<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/arphotos> )

- Over 40,000 digital photographic images, dating from the founding of the University to the present day, are available to researchers
- To search the database, use terms such as "nurses" or "nursing", or the names of prominent educators or administrators such as "ethel johns".

## Publications and other documents

### Touchpoints

(<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ubcpublications/touchpoints>)

- UBC School of Nursing newsletter (digitized and searchable)

Other UBC publications also include articles and features on nurses and nursing at UBC:

- The Ubyyssey (<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ubcpublications/ubysseynews> )
- Alumni Chronicle I Trek (<https://open.libra1y.ubc.ca/coilections/ubcpublications/alumchron> )
- Totem yearbooks (<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ubcpublications/ubcyearb> )
- UBC Calendar (<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ubcpublications/calendars> )

### Senate minutes

(<https://open.library.ubc.ca/collections/ubcpublications/senmin> )

Senate is responsible for the academic governance of the University, and its minutes will include references to the origins of the UBC nursing programme as well as proposals for new courses and programmes

These and other University documents are available and searchable on-line through UBC Library's Open Collections portal (<https://open.library.ubc.ca/> ).