University Oral History Collection
Finding Aid

Scope and Content
The University Oral History Collection preserves the history of the University of West Georgia, since its beginnings in 1906. The collection is composed of interviews, documents, books and materials generated by the college, and the working files of the Fall 2000, Fall 2002, and Fall 2003 Introduction to Public History classes. Most of the interviews in this collection were conducted by graduate and undergraduate students associated with the UWG History Department and the Center for Public History. Others were conducted by Myron House, then the director of Ingram Library Special Collections, in the early 1980s. These are indicated by an asterisk (*). The Center’s oral history project began in the Fall of 2000. Emphasis during the first full year of the project was on interviewing alumni and faculty who were on campus during the years of the Fourth District A&M School and the early years of West Georgia College. This project is conducted in collaboration with the University of West Georgia Alumni Association and is intended to support initiatives of the administration, such as the 2006 centennial celebration, and effort to document campus traditions.

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Items: Diskettes

**Box 14 (Media Box)**
Items: Diskettes

**Box 15 (Media Box)**
Items: Diskettes and CDs

**Search terms/Key words**
WWII; Ingram; campus life; campus traditions; Carroll County; A&M School; College in the Country; West Georgia College; integration; Civil Rights Movement

**Separate Materials**
The University Oral History Collection interview tapes are house alphabetically with the interview tapes in the Center for Public History catalog drawers. Disks containing transcripts of interviews are stored alphabetically in small Hollinger boxes. Another Hollinger CD box contains disks and CDs from the Fall 2002 Introduction to Public History class project. A tape recording of the West Georgia College Alma Mater is housed alphabetically with the interview tapes in the Center for Public History catalog drawers.