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1973-1977

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Abstract

A collection of slides taken by George Mason University (GMU) President Vergil Dykstra during his trips with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) to China and Taiwan, as well as the GMU campus and President's House.

Creator

Dykstra, Vergil H., 1925-2010

Extent

.5 Linear Feet 1 Box

Physical Location

R 71, C 1, S 5

Repository

George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no access restrictions.

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Biographical Information

Dr. Vergil H. Dykstra (1925-2010) was named the second President of George Mason University (GMU) on April 3, 1973 when he was only 48 years old. He was the first person to be hired specifically for that position, since first President Dr. Lorin A. Thompson was originally appointed President of George Mason College. Dykstra received his Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of Wisconsin, where he later accepted a teaching position. He served as Associate Dean of Harpur College in New York from 1962-1964 before becoming its Vice President, a position he held for five years, overseeing the transition of the college to the State University of New York at Binghamton. Dykstra served as President of GMU for four years before leaving the position in April 1977, being succeeded by Robert C. Krug. Dykstra passed away on December 31, 2010.

During his tenure as GMU's President, Dykstra oversaw both a rapid expansion in the student body and major campus development projects, as well as new academic programs and the development of the Council on Minority Relations and an Affirmative Action Task Force. Additionally, in 1975 and 1976, he joined a delegation of other U.S. college and university Presidents sponsored by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) in visits to China and Taiwan.

Scope and Content

A collection of slides taken by George Mason University (GMU) President Vergil Dykstra. The collection is arranged in three series.

Series 1: China AASCU visit (March - April 1975) includes images taken during Dykstra's visit to China with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), including layover locations. Slides are divided by major location where possible.

Series 2: Taiwan AASCU visit (October 1976) includes images taken during Dykstra's visit to Taiwan with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU). Slides are divided into numbered and unnumbered groupings.

Series 3: Personal (1973-1977) includes images depicting locations on the GMU campus, including many of the President's House, the general Northern Virginia and D.C. Metro area, and various sites in Binghamton, New York. Slides are divided into these general location groups.

Related Materials

The Special Collections Research Center holds other slide and photography collections including the Christine Drennon European lantern slide collection, and the Edith McChesney Ker papers.

The University Archives hold the George Mason University Office of the President records.

Keywords

China
Taiwan
Slides
Great Wall of China (China)
Cities and towns -- China
Education, Higher
Educators
Virginia, Northern
San Francisco (Calif.)
Washington (D.C.)
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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in three series.

Series

- Series 1: China AASCU visit
- Series 2: Taiwan AASCU visit
- Series 3: Personal

Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1: China AASCU visit

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187951

Unit Date March-April 1975

Hong Kong

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187952

Unit Date March 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Content

Includes one slide of Dulles Airport

Guangzhou and Foshan

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187953

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Canton and Fashan on slides

Shanghai

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187954

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Suzhou

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187955

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Soochow on slides

Wuxi

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187956

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Wusih on slides

Nanjing

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187957

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Nanking on slides

Beijing (1 of 2)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187958

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Peking on slides

Beijing (2 of 2)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187959

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Scope and Content

Spelled Peking on slides

Spelled Peking on slides

Tokyo

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187960

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Scope and Content

Layover, views from Hotel New Otani and major sites immediately around hotel

Honolulu and San Francisco

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187961

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Scope and Content

Layover, airport and Hotel Hilton, San Francisco

China mixed locations

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187962

Unit Date April 1975

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Scope and Content

Slides include descriptions of images, but no location specifics

Series 2: Taiwan AASCU visit

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187963

Unit Date October 1976

Taiwan numbered slides (1 of 2)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187964

Unit Date October 1976

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Scope and Content

Slides are unmarked aside from the numbers, may locations in both Taiwan and layovers in California and Hawaii

Taiwan numbered slides (2 of 2)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187965

Unit Date October 1976

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Scope and Content

Slides are unmarked aside from the numbers, may locations in both Taiwan and layovers in California and Hawaii

Taiwan unmarked slides

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187966

Unit Date October 1976

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Scope and Content

Slides may include locations in both Taiwan and layovers in California and Hawaii

Series 3: Personal

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187967

Unit Date 1973-1977

George Mason University and President's House

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187968

Unit Date 1973

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Scope and Content

Majority of slides are labeled with location

President's House, Northern Virginia, and D.C.

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187969

Unit Date 1973-1977

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Scope and Content

Mixed locations, slides are unlabeled

Binghamton, moving, and travel

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/187970

Unit Date 1973

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Scope and Content

Mixed locations, some slides are labeled