

# Small, William, Collection

William Small Collection

circa 1760-2000

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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

UA 6.056

### Unit ID

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### Unit Date

circa 1760-2000

### Language

English

### Creator

Small, William, 1734-1775

### Extent

0.40 Linear Feet 1 Box

### Repository

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# Biographical / Historical

Professor of Natural Philosophy at William & Mary (1758-1764).

# Scope and Contents

This collection consists in large part of photostats and transcription. The originals are held by various other institution. Contact a staff member for further information: a list of scientific instruments and Small's account with the College of William and Mary, as well articles and biographical information about him. Also included are copies and transcripts of correspondence to, from, and about Small, and photocopies of a picture of him.

# Keywords

Correspondence

College of William and Mary--Faculty and Staff

Small, William, 1734-1775

# Custodial History

Bursar's accounts for William Small that were previously part of the College Papers Collection (UA 14) were transferred to the collection in June 2012.

# Description of Subordinate Components

## Box 1

**Unit ID** id64108

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88836

**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)

### Articles about William Small

**Unit ID** id64109

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88837

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 1 (Folder)

### Biographical Notes on William Small

**Unit ID** id64110

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88838

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 2 (Folder)

### **Correspondence to and from William Small**

**Unit ID** id64111

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88839

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 3 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats and transcriptions

### **Faculty Minutes Excerpts**

**Unit ID** id64112

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88840

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 4 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats

### **Correspondence between William Small and James Watt, and Excerpts from Watt's Journal**

**Unit ID** id64113

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88841

**Unit Date** 1769-1774

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 5 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats and transcriptions

### **Patent Specifications for Time Pieces**

**Unit ID** id64114

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88842

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 6 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats and transcripts

### **Receipts, Bills, and Accounts**

**Unit ID** id64115

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88843

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 7 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

Including Small's Account with the College. Original and copies.

### **Pictures of William Small**

**Unit ID** id64116

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88844

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 8 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photocopy

### **Jefferson Correspondence about and to William Small**

**Unit ID** id64117

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88845

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 9 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats and transcripts

### **Books Owned by William Small**

**Unit ID** id64118

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88846

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 10 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats

### **Correspondence Concerning William Small**

**Unit ID** id64119

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88847

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 11 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

photostats and transcriptions

### **Small's list of Scientific Instruments**

**Unit ID** id155684

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/88848

**Mixed materials** 1 (Box)

**Container** 12 (Folder)

#### **Scope and Contents**

original and copies