

Wheelock Photo Collection

Title: Wheelock Photo Collection

Date: 1887- on-going

Quantity: Approximately 12 linear feet. 20 document boxes, 3 flat boxes and one oversized box.

Collection Number: PC

Restrictions

Access:

Access to the collection is unlimited. Researchers are allowed to view all pieces of the collection. The archives is open by appointment only. Call the Reference Librarian at (617) 879-2222 to make an appointment.

Copyright:

Requests to publish material from the collection should be submitted to the Library Director.

Administrative Information

Acquisition:

The collection was the donation of Wheelock alumnae, faculty, and staff.

Processing Information:

The collection was re-processed and updated by Kristy Sharpe in 2006 based on archival principles. The collection was initially organized by Judy Ceven.

Scope and Content

The Wheelock Photo Collection has been organized by subject to facilitate ease of access. The majority of the photos in the collection have no identifying information and no date. For this reason, many of the people and places have been grouped under broad subject categories, such as “faculty” or “students in group—studying.” Many dates have been estimated and placed in ranges, such as [ca. 1890s-1930s].

The photo collection contains approximately 6000 photographs, including older albumen prints, tintypes, carte de visites, and modern photographic formats. Although it primarily depicts special events and everyday activities relating to the history of Wheelock College, the photo collection also contains a variety of images depicting every day life in the 1950s and 1960s, and children at play, which are of interest for their aesthetic and historical value.

The Wheelock Photo Collection is organized into 10 series:

Series 1: Student Life and Activities

This series contains images of individuals and groups of students studying indoors and outdoors, socializing, lounging and playing sports. Yearbook portraits and class photos are also included in this series. Most of the images are informal shots, while those designated as portraits depict students in more formal poses.

Series 2: All College Events and Activities

This series includes images of specific events and traditions at Wheelock including Convocation, Centennial celebrations, Fall Frolic, Graduation, May Day and more.

Series 3: Student Work

Series 3 features students in the classroom, as well as students working with children, and contains images of children at play.

Series 4: Faculty and Staff

In addition to portraits of faculty and staff members, Series 4 contains images of selected trustees. Folders 2 and 3 in Box 10 contain many portraits of presidents.

Series 5: Alumni

Series 5 contains images from Alumni gatherings, group and class portraits, and a selection of photographs of alumni family members and classrooms.

Series 6: Interiors and Exteriors

Series 6 houses a variety of images depicting the many buildings associated with Wheelock College throughout the years, as well as a large number of construction photos.

Series 7: Wheelock Theater

Series 7 contains images of productions put on by the Wheelock Theater.

Series 8: Miscellaneous Early Photographs

Series 8 holds a variety of early alumni portraits, ranging from 1887-1920. This series contains several images from the Froebel Pilgrimage. See also Box 8 of the Lucy Wheelock Collection, which contains 59 glass slides depicting sites from England, France and Germany and Box 9, Folder 5, which also contains images from the Froebel pilgrimage.

Series 9: Oversized Photographs

The oversized collection is comprised almost entirely of images that were once displayed or used in exhibits. Included are several blown up portraits of Lucy Wheelock, images from the 50th Anniversary Luncheon and a number of early class photos.

Series 10: Negatives, Contact sheets and Miscellaneous Photos

In addition to many negatives, Series 10 contains a small number of photos that did not fit into any other series due to their unusual or nondescript characteristics. Most appear to be still-life portraits that may have been used in yearbooks.

Note: The Lucy Wheelock photo collection is housed in the President's Collection 1A. For a more complete description of contents, see Series II in the Lucy Wheelock Collection.

Cataloging Entries

The following catalog entries provide controlled subject access to the collection. All of these entries are searchable in the Wheelock College Library's online catalog to find materials of related interest.

Wheelock College – Faculty.

Wheelock College – History.

Wheelock College – Alumni and Alumnae.

Wheelock College – Students.

Container List

Series 1. Student Life and Activities – Photo Collection 1 (PC1)

Box 1

Individual portraits, students studying [1950-1967]

Folder 1: PC.001-.016

Individual portraits [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 2: PC1.017-.067

Folder 3: PC1.068-.096

Yearbook portraits [ca.1940s-1980s]

Folder 4: PC1.097-.110

Folder 5: PC1.111-.174

Folder 6: PC1.175-.247

Students around Boston [ca.1950s-1980s]

Folder 7: PC1.248-263

Sports and exercise [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 8: PC1.264-.296

Moving-in day; Infirmary, Orientation [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 9: PC1. 297-314

Dorm life [ca. 1940s-1980s]

Folder 10: PC1.315-.372

Box 2

Students in groups—eating and drinking [ca. 1940s-1980s]

Folder 1: PC1.373-.421

Students in groups—socializing, lounging, etc. [ca. 1940s-1980s]

Folder 2: PC1.422-.485

Folder 3: PC1.486-.526

Students in groups—extracurricular activities—meetings and groups activities [1950s-1970s]

Folder 4: PC1.527-.589

Students in groups—group portraits [ca. 1930s-1980s]

Folder 5: PC1.590-.628

Box 3

Students in groups—group portraits [ca. 1930s-1980s]

Folder 1: PC1.629-.677

Folder 2: PC1.678-.709

Students outdoors—in snow; misc. outdoor scenes [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 3: PC1.710-.729

Students outdoors—unidentified events [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 4: PC1.730-.787

Students outdoors—individual portraits [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 5: PC1.788-.811

Students outdoors—students coming and going [ca. 1940s-1980s]

Folder 6: PC1.812-.870

Students outdoors—in groups, socializing, etc. [ca. 1940s-1980s]

Folder 7: PC1.871-.929

Students with celebrities, icons, etc.

(Richard Nixon, Joan Crawford, Mr. Rogers, Maya Angelou, Robert Frost)

Folder 8: PC1.930-.932

SEE ALSO Overflow Box 22

Series 2. All College Events and Activities (PC2)

Box 4

Children's Literature Symposium, 1989; Children's Day, 1989; 100 years of social work, 1989; Altina Mead Book Collection Dedication, n.d.; Dancethon, [ca. 1980s]

Folder 1: PC2.001-029

Children and Families [ca. 1970s]

Folder 2: PC2.030-043

Convocation, 1988

Folder 3: PC2.044-.052; PC2. 820-853

Centennial Celebrations, various locations, [1988-1989]

Folder 4: PC2.058-.126

SEE ALSO Overflow Box 22

Lectures and Talks, [ca. 1960s-1970s]

Folder 5: PC2.127-PC2.144

75th Anniversary Dinner, 1964; Fashion Show, 1952; Harvard Band Concerts, 1950; Fall Frolic, 1950

Folder 6: PC2.145-.186

Telethons, 1971-1972; open house, n.d.; Outings, [ca. 1940s-1950s]; Dances, 1951; glee club performance, [1950s]

Folder 7: PC2.187-.263

Miscellaneous identified events, [ca. 1940s-1980s] (including Robert Frost)

Folder 8: PC2.264-.335

Unidentified Events, [ca. 1950s-1980s]

Folder 9: PC2.336-379

Box 5

Conferences/Special Events: Parent Educator Conference; Center for Parenting Studies; Stride Rite Conference; Father Forum; ACCH Conferences; Policy Issues

Folder 1: PC2.774-819

May Day—[1938, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1949, 1950s]

Folder 2: PC2.380-.398

May Day—[1950-1959, 1950, 1954, 1955, 1956]

Folder 3: PC2.399-469

May Day—[1957]

Folder 4: PC2.470-.537

May Day—[1960s, 1960, 1961, 1962, 1964, 1965, 1966]

Folder 5: PC2.538-.573

Graduation—[1940s]

Folder 6: PC2.574-.597

Graduation—[1950s]

Folder 7: PC2.598-.615

Graduation—[1960s]

Folder 8: PC2.616-.647

Graduation—[1970s-1980s]

Folder 9: PC2.648-683

(SEE ALSO Overflow Box 21)

Series 3: Student Work (PC3)

Box 6

Student Work—Summer School—[ca. 1950s]

Folder 1: PC3.001-.028

Student Work—library scenes

Folder 2: PC3.029-.051

Student Work—Students in the classroom—[1940s-1970s]

Folder 3: PC3.052-.118

Student Work—Students in the classroom—[1960s-1980s]

Folder 4: PC3.119-.160

Student Work---Students in the classroom—[1960s-1980s]

Folder 5: PC3.161-.314

Student Work—Students at work—[1940s-1980s]

Folder 6: PC3.315-365

Folder 7: PC3.366-.405

Box 7

Student work—Students with Children—[1890s-1980s]

Folder 1: PC3.406-.466

Folder 2: PC3.467-.522

Folder 3: PC3.523-.593

Student Work—Children at Play (without adults)—[1930s-1980s]

Folder 4: PC3.594-.658

Folder 5: PC3.659-.710

Series 4: Faculty And Staff (includes trustees) (PC.4)

Box 8

Faculty—in groups, at events—[ca. 1930s-1950s]

Folder 1: PC4.001-.036

Faculty—in groups, at events—[ca. 1950s-1960s]

Folder 2: PC4.037-.151

Faculty—in groups, at events—[ca. 1950s-1970s]

Folder 3: PC4.152-.209

Faculty—in groups, at events—[ca. 1970s-1980s]

Folder 4: PC4.153-.248

Faculty—with students—[ca. 1950s-1970s]

Folder 5: PC4.249-.289

Faculty—with students—[ca. 1960s-1980s]

Folder 6: PC4.290-316

Box 9

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 1: PC4.317-.429

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 2: PC4.430-.484

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 3: PC4.485-.517

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 4: PC4.518-600

Box 10

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 1: PC4.601-.636

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 2: PC4.637-680

Faculty—individual portraits

Folder 3: PC4.681-.793

SEE ALSO OVERFLOW BOX 22

Series 5: Alumni (PC.5)

Box 11

Alumni—portraits, class photos—[1950s]

Folder 1: PC5.001-.038

Alumni—portraits, class photos—[1950s]

Folder 2: PC5.039-.066

Alumni—portraits, class photos—[1960s]

Folder 3: PC5.067-.118

Alumni—portraits, class photos—[1960s]

Folder 4: PC5.119-158

Box 12

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1940s-1960s]

Folder 1: PC5.159-.190

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1940s-1960s]

Folder 2: PC5.191-.217

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1940s-1960s]

Folder 3: PC5.218-.256

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1940s-1960s]

Folder 4: PC5.257-.352

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1950s-1960s]

Folder 5: PC5.353-.368

Box 13

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1960s-1970s]

Folder 1: PC5.369-.390

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1960s-1970s]

Folder 2: PC5.391-.417

Alumni--Misc. events and gatherings—[1980s-1990s]

Folder 3: PC5.418-.509

Alumni—Wheelock Alumni Night; Telethons

Folder 4: PC5. 510-.565

Alumni—Alumni Reunions—[1988-1989]

Folder 5: PC5.566-.580

Alumni—Misc. photos of Alumni children and families—[1950s-1980s]

Folder 6: PC5. 581-.639

SEE ALSO OVERFLOW BOX 22

Series 6: Interiors and Exteriors (PC.6)

Box 14

Recreation Hall; Alumni Room

Folder 1: PC6.001-.007

Wheelock Theater and Wing

Folder 2: PC6.008-.014

Art gallery

Folder 3: PC6.015-.027

100 The Riverway

Folder 4: PC6.028-.033

Activities Building

Folder 5: PC6.034-.077

Administration Buildings

Folder 6: PC6.078-107

Resource Center

Folder 7: PC6.108-.126

College Center

Folder 8: PC6.127-151

Classroom Building

Folder 9: PC6.128-.177

Houses: Longwood, Colchester, President, dorms

Folder 10: PC6.178-267

Former Wheelock Buildings around Boston
Folder 11: PC6.268-278

Box 15

Brookline campus

Folder 1: PC6.279-286

Child Center photo album (reconstructed) *In Collection 12*

Folder 2: PC6.287-363

Child Center *In Collection 12*

Folder 2.5: PC6.964-976

Locations around Boston

Folder 3: PC6.364-379

Campus exteriors

Folder 4: PC6.380-432

Buildings—misc. identified; exhibits

Folder 5: PC6.433-467

Misc. Outdoor photos

Folder 6: PC6.468-532

Misc. Indoor photos

Folder 7: PC6.533-.586

Box 16

Misc. Construction Photos

Folder 1: PC6. 587-.739

Library plans, construction, set up

Folder 2: PC6.740-813

Library plans, construction, set up cont.

Folder 3: PC6.814-874

Library—old library, interiors

Folder 4: PC6.875-899

Library—Froebel Freeze, Exteriors

Folder 5: PC6.900-920; PC6.940-947

Library—interiors

Folder 6: PC6.921-939; PC6.948-.963

SEE ALSO OVERFLOW BOX 21

Series 7: Wheelock Theater (PC.7)

Wheelock Theater Productions—[ca. 1950s-1980s]

Box 17 (Flat box) PC7.001-073

Box 18 (Flat Box) PC7.074-173

SEE ALSO OVERSIZED BOX A

Note: Photo albums comprised from specific productions can be found in Collection 23. Wheelock College Theater and Wheelock Family Theater, Box 1, Folders 4 and 5

Series 8: Misc. Early photographs (PC8)

Box 19

Alumni portraits—[1887-1894]

Folder 1: PC8.001-.014

Alumni portraits—[1896-1899]

Folder 2: PC8.015-.030

Alumni portraits—[1905-1920]

Folder 3: PC8.031-.056

Portraits

Folder 4: PC8.057-.071

Portraits

Folder 5: PC8.072-.094

Misc.

Folder 6: PC8.095-.106

Misc.

Folder 7: PC8.107-.118

Misc. (includes Froebel pilgrimage images)

Folder 8: PC8.119-.147

Images of Laura Reed Holmes (Lucy Wheelock's niece)

Folder 9: PC8.148-.151

Series 9: Oversized Photographs (PC. 9)

Series 7, Wheelock Theater

Oversized Box A. PC7.174 - .191

Student life and Activities, Student Work, Faculty and Staff and Exteriors—[1880s-1970s] (includes early portraits of alumni, class photos, selections from a 1960s-1970s photo album, exterior shots of Wheelock, Froebel Pilgrimage)

Oversized Box B. PC9.001-.058

Images from Wheelock's 50th Anniversary Luncheon; Class Photos—[1880s-1910]; Alumni Louisa Parks' 2nd grade class; Two blown-up portraits of Lucy Wheelock

Oversized Box C. PC9.060-.077

Lucy Badger, Colchester Housemother ([1946-1961], 1946. Hung in Colchester until 1996.

Framed Photo (on display in archives)

Series 10: Negatives and Miscellaneous Photographs—(PC. 10)

Box 20

Negatives, contact sheets

Folder 1

Miscellaneous unidentified photos

Folder 2 PC10.001-016

Images used in Undergraduate catalog, 1997-1998 and Wheelock Community News

Folder 3 PC10.017-.049

Contact Sheets

Filing Cabinet 1. Drawer 4

Box 21 Overflow—Various Collections

Series 2. All College Events and Activities

Graduation—[1990s]

Folder 1 PC2.854-886

Graduation—[1989]

Folder 2 PC2.887-987

Misc. Graduation photos—[1970s-1980s]

Folder 3 PC2.988-1058

Series 6. Interiors and Exteriors

Administration Building/College Center

Folder 4 PC6.977-1004

Dormitories/Faculty Offices/Building Art

Folder 5 PC6.1005-1050

Aerial Views/Winter/Spring Scenes of the Campus

Folder 6 PC6.1051-1101

Misc. Boston shots/Misc. Shots

Folder 7 PC6.1102-1156

Box 22 Overflow—Various Collections

Series 5. Alumni

Alumni in groups—[1980s-1990s] and Misc.

Folder 1 PC5.640-674

Folder 2 PC5.675-732

Series 1. Student Life and Activities

Misc. portraits, students studying, socializing, etc. [1980s-1990s]

Folder 3 PC1.933-980

Series 4. Faculty, Staff and Trustees

Portraits and Events [1980s]

Folder 4 PC4.794-.835

Series 3. Student Work

Students with Children [1980s]

Folder 5 PC3.711-.755

Series 2. All College Events and Activities

Centennial celebrations[1980s-1990s]

Folder 6 PC2.684-773