

Finding Aid for the Alvin W. Skardon Papers, 1922-1983



Collection Number: RG 62/02

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Alvin W. Skardon papers, 1922-1983
Record No.:	RG 62/02
Accession No.:	UA 2005.41
Creator:	Alvin W. Skardon
Extent:	.9 cubic feet (2 boxes)
Abstract:	Alvin W. Skardon taught for one year at Baldwin-Wallace College in Cleveland, Ohio. He came to Youngstown State University in 1957. He was a professor of urban history and the author of two books including <u>Steel Valley University: The Origin of Youngstown State.</u>

Administrative Information

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Biographical Sketch

Professor Alvin W. Skardon was born in 1913. He served in the Army in World War II and was captured at the Battle of the Bulge. He received his A.B. with honors from the College of Charleston. Professor Skardon attended the University of Chicago for his Masters and Doctorate degrees. He began teaching at Youngstown State in 1957. He served as a professor of urban history until his retirement. He published two books on urban history including Steel Valley University: The Origin of Youngstown State.

Scope and Content Note

This collection was created and compiled by Alvin W. Skardon. The materials are primarily related to the research of his book on Youngstown State. The materials were

transferred to Maag Library by Alvin Skardon upon the completion of his book Steel Valley University. Debra Beronja gained custody over the documents in 1993 and transferred them to the archives in 2004.

The materials in this collection are best described as research materials on the history of Youngstown and Youngstown State University in particular. Included in this collection are various papers written by Skardon's students over the years dealing with the history of Youngstown.

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Related Materials

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Church leader in the Cities: William Augustus Muhlenberg by Alvin W. Skardon

Index Terms

Alvin W. Skardon
Youngstown College
Youngstown State University
Rayen School
Urban history
Harvard University

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Galley Proof of Steel Valley University: The Origins of Youngstown State