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Summary Information

Repository: La Salle University Archives

Title: Dr. Roland Holroyd Collection

Identifier: UA-055

Date: 1904 - 1981

Physical Description: 5.5 Linear Feet (5 boxes)

Language of English

Materials:

Arrangement

This collection has been organized by series. Upon processing, there was no clear order intended in the filing system overall. Therefore, the boxes are arranged physically in series order and are divided into subseries within each series. There is one exception to this: in one case a folder in the Correspondence subseries appears towards the end of the Class Materials subseries within the Academic Material series. This particular piece of Correspondence relates to ordering a set of histological slides that was used in Holroyd's class.

Biographical / Historical

Originally born in England, Dr. Roland Holroyd began teaching biology at La Salle in 1920. Prior to holding his position at La Salle, he was an instructor at the University of Pennsylvania. For a while, he taught part time at University of Pennsylvania and at La Salle. Eventually, he taught at La Salle exclusively. Over the course of his career, he went on several botanical trips to places like Europe, the Arctic, South America and Australia. He cobbled his findings together into a lecture series that he delivered after the fact. In 1961, he and Dr. Joseph Flubacher were the first to receive a Lindback award at La Salle. Dr. Holroyd retired in 1973. Despite being a devout Episcopalian, Dr. Holroyd was given an honorary membership to the Christian Brothers. After dying in 1985, he was buried at the Brothers Cemetery in Ammendale, Maryland. Dr. Holroyd was a beloved instructor who had two yearbooks dedicated to him. Today, Dr. Holroyd has a science building named in his honor on campus.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains the documents of Dr. Roland Holroyd, who was the driving force behind the development of La Salle University's Biology Department. These documents include course material, department papers, publications, correspondence, and photographs. The Academic Material series is comprised of lecture notes from when Holroyd was a student at the University of Pennsylvania and notes from when he was teaching at La Salle University. It also includes course schedules, midterm and final exam, tests, handouts, and final student grades. The latter has been separated from the other materials and is restricted. The bulk of the courses focus on biology, botany, and genetics. Academic Material series contains some sensitive material in the form of final grades of students. These have been separated from the other materials and should be restricted. The department papers include registration information and information on the professors in the department. The Correspondence series includes writings from colleagues of Holroyd who sent him letters and certificates that Holroyd himself received. The Journals and Publications series contains publications that were also sent to him from his colleagues. These publications are from 1899 to

around 1973 and they touch on the plant life from different parts of the world. Two photographs were found in the collection; one is a photo of an unknown group, the second is of a La Salle graduate performing surgery on a U.S. submarine during World War II. The Travel series contains maps, postcards and souvenirs from Holroyd's international trips. Finally, the Personal collection contains religious materials that belonged to Dr. Holroyd as well as a family crest. When processing this collection, it was determined that the order the collection arrived to the archives was not created for the archives, it was more of someone cleaning out an office and putting the contents into boxes. Taking this into consideration the material found was re-ordered in a way that would make sense. However, if documents were found to be filed in a certain way by Dr. Holroyd, those documents were kept in the original filing order.

Preferred Citation

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Conditions Governing Access

For the most part, the collection is open for research use. There are two folders of Exam Grades that have been restricted. These are located in the Academic Material series under the Class Materials subseries.

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Controlled Access Headings

Collection Inventory

Academic Material, 1905 - 1973

**Language of
Materials:** English

Courses, 1905 - 1973

Bacteriology, 1931, 1938, 1940-1943, 1948

Box 1; Folder 1 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 102, 1929 - 1960

Box 1; Folder 2 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 102 Exams, 1937 - 1954

Box 1; Folder 3 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 102, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 4 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117 Exams, 1931 - 1972

Box 1; Folder 5 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 6 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117, 118, 302; Botany 12, 1919, 1968

Box 1; Folder 7 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117 and 118, 1948 - 1972

Box 1; Folder 8 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117 and 118, 1962

Box 1; Folder 9 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117 and 118, 1968

Box 1; Folder 10 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 117 and 302, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 11 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118 Exams, 1935 - 1973

Box 1; Folder 12 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118, 1972

Box 1; Folder 13 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 14 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 15 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 16 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 118, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 17 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 201 Exam, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 18 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 301 Exams, 1936 - 1963

Box 1; Folder 19 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 302 Exams, 1964 - 1973

Box 1; Folder 20 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 302, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 21 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 304 Lab Manual, 1953

Box 1; Folder 22 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 312 Exams, 1940 - 1947

Box 1; Folder 23 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 407 Exams, 1937 - 1957

Box 1; Folder 24 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 412, 1918 - 1946

Box 1; Folder 25 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 412 Exams, 1949 - 1972

Box 1; Folder 26 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 412, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 27 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 412, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 28 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 412 Genetic Problems, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 29 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 414, 1954 - 1968

Box 1; Folder 30 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 415, 1926, 1942, 1953, 1955, 1965, 1967

Box 1; Folder 31 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 415, 1964

Box 1; Folder 32 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 415, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 33 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 415, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 34 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology 421, 1948

Box 1; Folder 35 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology Exams, 1944 - 1948

Box 1; Folder 36 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

General Biology Outline, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 37 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

General Biology Outline, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 38 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Biology, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 39 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 40 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 1; Folder 41 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1914 - 1915

Box 1; Folder 42 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1915 - 1916

Box 1; Folder 43 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1917 - 1918

Box 1; Folder 44 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1920

Box 2; Folder 1 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1919 - 1920

Box 2; Folder 2 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1920 - 1922

Box 2; Folder 3 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1921 - 1922

Box 2; Folder 4 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1922 - 1929

Box 2; Folder 5 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1923 - 1944

Box 2; Folder 6 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1923 - 1946

Box 2; Folder 7 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, 1920s

Box 2; Folder 8 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

General Botany Outline, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 9 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 10 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 11 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 12 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Forest Botany, Ecology, and Plant, 1915

Box 2; Folder 13 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 14 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Botany, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 15 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Forestry, 1905, 1926

Box 2; Folder 16 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Forestry, 1917, 1924, 1926

Box 2; Folder 17 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Garden Flowers, 1926

Box 2; Folder 18 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics 101 lab, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 19 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics 101, 1930

Box 2; Folder 20 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics 101, 1926, 1928

Box 2; Folder 21 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics 101, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 22 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics, 1926 - 1940

Box 2; Folder 23 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Genetics, 1931

Box 2; Folder 24 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Histology, 1933

Box 2; Folder 25 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Industrial Plants, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 26 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Landscaping, 1925

Box 2; Folder 27 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Organic Evolution and Genetics Outline, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 28 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Woody Plant Propagation and Nursery Work, 1926

Box 2; Folder 29 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Vertebrate Embryology, 1933

Box 2; Folder 30 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Zoology, 1914

Box 2; Folder 31 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Zoology, c.1920s-1940s

Box 2; Folder 32 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

General Zoology, 1921-1922, 1948-1949

Box 2; Folder 33 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Unknown, Date unknown

Box 2; Folder 34 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Class Schedules, 1927 - 1973

Class Schedules, 1927

Box 3; Folder 1 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Class Schedules, 1928

Box 3; Folder 2 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Class Schedules, 1930

Box 3; Folder 3 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Class Schedules, 1938

Box 3; Folder 4 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1939

Box 3; Folder 5 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1940

Box 3; Folder 6 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1942

Box 3; Folder 7 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1943

Box 3; Folder 8 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1945

Box 3; Folder 9 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1946

Box 3; Folder 10 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1947

Box 3; Folder 11 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1948

Box 3; Folder 12 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1949 - 1951

Box 3; Folder 13 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1952 - 1960

Box 3; Folder 14 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Class Schedules, 1960 - 1973

Box 3; Folder 15 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Department Papers, 1927 - 1962

Biology Personnel, 1927 - 1942

Box 3; Folder 16 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Biological Sciences, 1928

Box 3; Folder 17 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Disciplinary Materials & Guides, 1946 - 1962

Box 3; Folder 18 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Final Exams, 1949 - 1973

Final Exam, 1949

Box 3; Folder 19 (Books)

Language of English
Materials:

Final Exam Grades, 1959 - 1964

Box 3; Folder 20 (Books)

Language of English
Materials:

Final Exam Grades, 1965 - 1973

Box 3; Folder 21 (Books)

Language of English
Materials:

Registration, 1960 - 1963

Classes Offered, 1960 - 1963

Box 3; Folder 23 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

List of High Schools, 1963

Box 3; Folder 24 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Other, 1909 - 1950

Pennsylvania Area College Centers, 1947 - 1950

Box 3; Folder 22 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Seating Charts, Date unknown

Box 3; Folder 25 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Miscellaneous, 1909 - 1920

Box 3; Folder 26 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Publications, 1904 - 1971

Books, 1904 - 1941

Language of English
Materials:

1904, 1904

Box 3; Folder 27 (Books)

Language of English
Materials:

1941, 1941

Box 3; Folder 28 (Books)

Language of English
Materials:

Directories, 1971

Language of English
Materials:

Alumni Medical Society, 1971

Box 3; Folder 29 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Journals and Papers, 1887 - 1971

Language of English
Materials:

1887-1920 (1 of 3), 1887 - 1920

Box 3; Folder 30 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1887-1920 (2 of 3), 1887 - 1920

Box 3; Folder 31 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1887-1920 (3 of 3), 1887 - 1920

Box 3; Folder 32 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1909-1920, 1909 - 1920

Box 4; Folder 1 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1916-1933, 1916 - 1933

Box 4; Folder 2 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1921-1923, 1921 - 1923

Box 4; Folder 3 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1924-1925, 1924 - 1925

Box 4; Folder 4 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1924-1934, 1924 - 1934

Box 4; Folder 5 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1926-1927, 1926 - 1927

Box 4; Folder 6 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1928-1929, 1928 - 1929

Box 4; Folder 7 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1930-1932, 1930 - 1932

Box 4; Folder 8 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1933-1934, 1933 - 1934

Box 4; Folder 9 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1935, 1935

Box 4; Folder 10 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1936-1937, 1936 - 1937

Box 4; Folder 11 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1938-1940, 1938 - 1940

Box 4; Folder 12 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1941-1950, 1941-1944, 1947, 1949-1950

Box 4; Folder 13 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1948-1958, 1948 - 1958

Box 4; Folder 14 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1954-1962, 1954-1956, 1958-1962

Box 4; Folder 15 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1958, 1958

Box 4; Folder 16 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1964-1971, 1964, 1966, 1971

Box 4; Folder 17 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Magazine Articles, 1921 - 1961

Language of English
Materials:

Bryologist, 1921

Box 4; Folder 18 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1955-1961, 1955 - 1961

Box 4; Folder 19 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Newspapers, 1927 - 1962

Language of English
Materials:

1927, 1927

Box 5; Folder 1 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1932, 1932

Box 5; Folder 2 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1962, 1962

Box 5; Folder 3 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

University Catalogs, 1899 - 1948

Language of English
Materials:

1899-1930, 1899 - 1930

Box 5; Folder 4 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1941-1948, 1941 - 1948

Box 5; Folder 5 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Correspondence, 1922 - 1973

A, 1924-1925, 1928, 1945

Box 5; Folder 6 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

B, 1929, 1935, 1946, 1953, 1956

Box 5; Folder 7 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

C, 1923-1924, 1929

Box 5; Folder 8 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

D, 1936, 1968

Box 5; Folder 9 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

E, 1935, 1962

Box 5; Folder 10 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

F, 1941-1942, 1953-1954, 1957

Box 5; Folder 11 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

G, 1933, 1941, 1949, 1954, 1957

Box 5; Folder 12 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

H, 1922, 1928, 1930, 1944, 1949, 1956-1957

Box 5; Folder 13 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

J, 1927, 1929, 1959

Box 5; Folder 14 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

K, 1931, 1933-1934, 1953, 1959-1960

Box 5; Folder 15 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

L, 1947, 1960

Box 5; Folder 16 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

M, 1924, 1949

Box 5; Folder 17 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

P, 1930, 1943, 1945

Box 5; Folder 18 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

R, 1956, 1960

Box 5; Folder 19 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

S, 1923, 1926-1928, 1937, 1942, 1945-1946, 1954, 1960

Box 5; Folder 20 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

W, 1923-1924, 1926-1927

Box 5; Folder 21 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Z, 1953

Box 5; Folder 22 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Alumni Medical Practices, c.1950s

Box 5; Folder 23 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Certificates, 1923, 1930-1931

Box 5; Folder 24 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

American Genetic Association, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 25 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Invoices for Microscopes, 1946 - 1948

Box 5; Folder 26 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Purdue University, 1967

Box 5; Folder 27 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Retirement, 1973

Box 5; Folder 28 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Personal, 1961 - 1966

Interest in Trains and Trolleys, 1961 - 1965

Language of English
Materials:

1961-1963, 1961 - 1963

Box 5; Folder 29 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

1964-1965, 1964 - 1965

Box 5; Folder 30 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Post Cards, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 31 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Family Material, 1966

Language of English
Materials:

Coat of Arms, 1966

Box 5; Folder 32 (mixed materials)

Language of English
Materials:

Events, 1940 - 1957

Dinners, 1940, 1957

Box 5; Folder 33 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Religious Materials, 1948 - 1969

Spiritual Publications, 1948 - 1969

Box 5; Folder 34 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Prayer Cards, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 35 (Text)

Language of English
Materials:

Travel, 1966 - 1972

Clippings, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 36 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Post Cards, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 37 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Souvenirs - S.S. Santa Paula Menu, 1966

Box 5; Folder 38 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Souvenirs - "The Universe" English Newspaper, 1972

Box 5; Folder 39 (Text)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Photographs, 1935 - 1981

Botanical Society, Morris Arboretum, 1935

Box 5; Folder 40 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Dr. Theodore Berry, 1945

Box 5; Folder 41 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

"Mister Joseph Mehan with Bob Drennen ('74)", 1974

Box 5; Folder 42 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Holroyd, 1981

Box 5; Folder 43 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Holroyd Exchanging Pleasantries, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 44 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Polevaulting student, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 45 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Randolph Taylor, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 46 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Untitled Photographs (travel), Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 47 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Group, unknown, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 48 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English

Unknown building, Date unknown

Box 5; Folder 49 (Graphic Materials)

**Language of
Materials:** English