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Finding Aid - Indo-Canadian collection (F-145)

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Indo-Canadian collection

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Summary information

Repository:	Simon Fraser University Archives and Records Management Department
Title:	Indo-Canadian collection
ID:	F-145
Date:	1900 - 1999 (date of creation)
Physical description:	38 cm of textual records
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The University Archives acquires, preserves and makes available three categories of materials: (1) the official records of the University, including those created by the Board of Governors, Senate, University committees, faculties, departments and administrative offices; (2) materials documenting the wider University community; and (3) historical research collections that promote the teaching and research activities of the University. The Archives was established within the University Library in 1968 when librarian Liisa Fagerlund was appointed University Archivist on a half-time basis. She continued in this post until 1975 when she left the University. From 1975 to 1978, the Archives functioned within the Special Collections division of the Library. Archival duties were carried out by various library staff members. In 1978, the University Archives was established as a separate administrative unit outside of the Library. Donald Baird, recently retired as University Librarian, became University Archivist and held this position until his retirement in 1990. Jim Ross served as University Archivist from 1991 to 1993, and was succeeded by Ian Forsyth in 1994.

When the Archives was a function of the University Library, the University Archivist reported to the University Librarian. When the Archives was established as a separate administrative unit, the University Archivist reported directly to the University President. The reporting structure changed in 1986 when the University Archivist reported to the Vice-President, Research/Information Systems; in 1990, when the University Archivist reported to the Associate Vice-President, Academic; and in 1996, when the University Archivist reported to the Registrar/Dean of Students.

Scope and content

From 1979-1981 the University Archives collected historical information on the Indo-Canadian Community in British Columbia with a view towards acquiring records in this area. The Archives prepared a bibliography, and made copies of relevant material. According to Professor Hugh Johnston, the collection contains a fairly complete set of all articles written up to 1980 about Indo-Canadians in BC. The Archives also acquired some photographs from the community. Since the conclusion of the project, the Archives has shifted its primary acquisition focus away from ethnic collections.

Collection consists of photocopied magazine articles, theses, books, reports, newspaper clippings and other secondary sources about Indo-Canadians. The information is primarily about the Sikh community, but there is also some material on Hindu immigrants. There is one file of photographic prints and negatives.

Collection also contains one file of correspondence with Ray Hundle, who corresponded with the University Archives regarding his research on the possible establishment of a Sikh temple in Golden, BC in 1880.

Material is in Punjabi and English.

Notes

Title notes

- Source of title proper: Title of the collection is based on its contents.

Immediate source of acquisition

SFU Archives created the collection from 1979-1981.

Arrangement

The materials were arranged by the Archivist.

Restrictions on access

The files are open with no restrictions.

Finding aids

A file list is available.

Related material

See also the Indo-Canadian History Collection [Hari Sharma / Interviewer], F-77.

Accruals

All accessions have been processed as of September 2002. No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

- Publication status: published
- Level of detail: Full
- Status description: Revised

Access points

- Archives and Records Management Department
- Photographic material (documentary form)
- Textual record (documentary form)
- Community life (subject)
- Cultural groups (subject)
- Land, settlement and immigration (subject)

Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
F-145-0-0-0-1	File - SFU Archives Indo-Canadian research project - correspondence	1979 - 1981	Open	145-1
F-145-0-0-0-2	File - Ray Hundle - correspondence	1980 - 1981	Open	145-1
F-145-0-0-0-3	File - Photographic materials	1980 - 1989	Open	145-1
F-145-0-0-0-4	File - Reference material - authors "A"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-5	File - Reference material - authors "A-J"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-6	File - Reference material - authors "B"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-7	File - Reference material - author Campbell, Michael G.	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-8	File - Reference material - authors "C"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-9	File - Reference material - authors "D-H"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-10	File - Reference material - authors "I-G"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-11	File - Reference material - author Lal, Brij	1904 - 1914	Open	145-2
F-145-0-0-0-12	File - Reference material - authors "K-L"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3

F-145-0-0-0-13	File - Reference material - authors "M-N"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-14	File - Reference material - authors "P-R"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-15	File - Reference material - authors "S-Sch"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-16	File - Reference material - authors "Sing - Singh, D"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-17	File - Reference material - authors "Singh, G - Singh, R"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-18	File - Reference material - authors "Sm-T"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-19	File - Reference material - authors "W"	1900 - 1999	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-20	File - Reference material - parliament debates	1907 - 1936	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-21	File - Reference material - newspaper clippings	1924 - 1981	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-22	File - Reference material - newspaper clippings	1903 - 1906	Open	145-3
F-145-0-0-0-23	File - Reference material - bibliography	1906 - 1980	Open	145-3