

Faculty Papers Collecting Policy  
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The L. Tom Perry Special Collections<sup>1</sup> assists the University Archives in documenting the administrative, intellectual, social and cultural history of the university. Faculty papers contain significant information—including information on teaching, research and professional involvement—that allows researchers to gain insight into the intellectual vitality of Brigham Young University. The Perry Special Collections collects the personal papers of representative faculty members in order to facilitate the documentation of the intellectual history of the university. Preference is given to those collections open to research.

The following criteria aid curators in the Perry Special Collections in acquiring faculty collections. We are interested in the papers of those faculty members who:

- Have been exceptional teachers
- Have defined significant ideas or engaged in pathbreaking research in their fields
- Have held significant positions in or given exemplary service to the university
- Have important university records in their collection
- Have had an influence beyond the boundaries of the university and the local community
- Have provided significant mentoring experiences for the students they interact with

Subject to the professional judgment of the curator, and if a faculty member meets all of the criteria, then the Perry Special Collections will consider collecting all of their papers. If a faculty member meets one or more of the criteria, the Perry Special Collections will consider collecting their personal papers related to the criteria they meet. The Perry Special Collections will collect at a minimum a curriculum vitae and photograph for every faculty member employed by Brigham Young University, but it is a repository of primary sources and as such generally does not collect secondary material.

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<sup>1</sup> The Brigham Young University Archives is part of the L. Tom Perry Special Collections