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## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION**

Title	Rogers – Beckert Slide Collection, 1957-1993.
Extent	1 linear foot. 1 box.
Arrangement	The slides were removed from the carousels, placed in acid free sleeves and arranged chronologically.
Provenance	This collection of campus photographs was donated to the Smith Library Archive by Professor Mary Rogers.
Finding Aid	Printed finding aid available in repository. Electronic version: <a href="http://ecsu.archives.s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/">http://ecsu.archives.s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/</a>
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Access points	Eastern Connecticut State University.
Restrictions	None.
Document types	Slides. Photographs.

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Mary Rogers and Hermann Beckert were longtime members of the Eastern community. They married in 1975. Mary Rogers began teaching at Eastern in 1963. She taught physical science and was the first director of the Wickware Planetarium. She retired in 1989. Hermann Beckert came to Eastern in 1942 as a professor of music. In 1950 he became the school's Business Manager, in 1966 became Director of Admissions and in 1979 became the Director of Alumni Affairs.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:**

This collection includes 129 slides of the Eastern Connecticut State University campus "as viewed from Goddard roof. These slides have green tops. From Goddard opening (1967-68) to present (1994)". Faculty members Mary Rogers and Hermann Beckert. According to the description accompanying the slides, many of the photographs were taken from the roof of Goddard Hall (Science Building) as new buildings were constructed around it. It also includes a set of slides of newspaper articles taken from papers in 1889, the year the school opened, entitled "Skies over 1889" which was used as part of the the school's centennial celebration in 1989.

## **SERIES DESCRIPTION:**

This collection is complete in one series of 129 slides. Titled "Science Roof Series" the images show the development of the new North Campus at Eastern between 1957 and 1993.

## **RELATED COLLECTIONS:**

Related material may be found in the following collections: University Events, Alumni Affairs/Events & Photographs, Photograph Collection and in various publications: *Campus Lantern*, *Alumni Bulletin* and *Sustinet* (yearbooks).

The University Archives has a substantial collection of university archives material and also houses the Connecticut Studies Collection. For more detailed information on these collections please speak with a staff member, call 860-465-5563 or visit the Smith Library Archives & Special Collections online at <http://ecs.uconn.edu/archives/s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/>

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