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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Name	Kenneth H. Summerer
Title	Office of the President, Kenneth H. Summerer, 1970
Extent	.25 linear feet. 1 box.
Arrangement	Material was gathered and arranged in three series. The material within each series is in chronological order.
Provenance	This collection was created by the Archives staff.
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Restrictions	None.
Document types	Correspondence. Publications. Photographs. Press releases.

BIOGRAPHY:

Dr. Kenneth H. Summerer came to Eastern from Michigan where he taught mathematics and physics and served as assistant administrator at a local high school and a community college. He received his Bachelor's Degree from Western State University, a Master of Arts degree from the University of Michigan and Doctorate in Education from Michigan State University.¹

Dr. Summerer was hired at Eastern Connecticut State College as Dean of Administrative Affairs in August 1968. In January of 1970 he was called upon to serve as chief administrator/interim president following the resignation of President Searle F. Charles and prior to the appointment of President Charles R. Webb.

Dr. Summerer went on to serve as Interim President of Mattatuck Community College in 1980 (now Naugatuck Valley Community College in Waterbury) and Deputy Director of the Connecticut Regional Community Colleges.²

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

This collection includes day files, minutes from the state Meeting of College Presidents and news clippings which offer information on the activities of Dr. Summerer during his appointment as administrator and interim president at the college.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:

Series I – Correspondence

This series includes general information on the activities of Dr. Summerer in his day files and Correspondence regarding campus building projects.

Series II – Committees

This series includes minutes from the State College President's Meetings dated January-April 1970 and Administrative Council from February-May 1970.

Series III – News clippings

This series includes information on Dr. Summerer's educational background, activities on campus and appointment as the school's chief executive following the resignation of Dr. Searle F. Charles.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

¹ "Administrative Dean", *Campus Lantern*, 22 August 1968 (supplement), p. 1.

² Series III- News clippings, CSU Resolution, BR 85-3 (references), 19 January 1985, Office of the President, Kenneth H. Summerer, 1970. J. Eugene Smith Library, Eastern Connecticut State University, 83 Windham Street, Willimantic, CT 06226.

³ Series III- News clippings, "The Start of Higher Education in Waterbury", retrieved 6/26/15 at: <http://www.nv.edu/About-NVCC/College-Facts/itemId/2055/History>, Office of the President, Kenneth H. Summerer, 1970. J. Eugene Smith Library, Eastern Connecticut State University, 83 Windham Street, Willimantic, CT 06226.

RELATED COLLECTIONS:

Additional information may be found in the following publications: *Campus Lantern*, *Alumni News*, *Eastern Connecticut State College Undergraduate Catalog* (1968-1971) and *Faculty Newsletter*.

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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Date

Kenneth H. Summerer, 1970, interim President

Series I - Correspondence

Capital Building Projects	January 1970
Day files	5-30 January 1970
Day files	2-19 February 1970
Day files	20-27 February 1970
Day files	2-10 March 1970
Day files	11-31 March 1970
Day files	2-14 April 1970
Day files	15-30 April 1970

Series II – Committees

Administrative Council	19 December 1969
Administrative Council	17 February 1970
Administrative Council	17 March 1970
State College Presidents	17 April 1970
Administrative Council	20 May 1970
Administrative Council	27 May 1970
Administrative Council	13 July 1970

Series III – News clippings

<i>Administrative Dean</i>	22 August 1968
<i>Administrator Chosen</i>	March 1970
CSU Resolution, BR 85-3 (references)	18 January 1985
“The Start of Higher Education in Waterbury”	26 June 2015