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Abstract: Dr. Gertrude C. Boland was a Cal Poly Pomona professor from 1957 to 1978. She was one of the first female faculty members at Cal Poly Pomona and also served as the acting dean for the School of Arts. Her collection contains memos from Cal Poly President Robert Kramer and other faculty members, an agenda of an economics committee meeting, clippings about Boland and other topics, and a resolution naming Boland a "Professor Emeritus."

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Dr. Gertrude C. Boland donated the materials to California State Polytechnic University, Pomona in 1984.

Biographical / Historical

Dr. Gertrude C. Boland was born in Buffalo, New York on July 26, 1914. She attended Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles, where she earned a bachelor's degree in art. She later earned a bachelor's degree in foreign services from Georgetown in Washington, D.C. and a master's degree in economics from the Catholic University of America, also in Washington D.C.

In 1957, Boland was one of the first three women hired as faculty at Cal Poly Pomona. In addition to economics, Boland taught American history and philosophy. In 1961, Boland earned a PhD in economics and government from the Claremont Graduate School in Claremont, California. Her doctoral dissertation focused on India's role in the United Nations. Nine years later, Boland earned a second PhD. The degree, awarded by St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri, was in clinical psychology.

Boland served as acting chair of the economics department in 1970 and served as the department's chair from 1971 to 1975. In 1975, Boland became the first female academic dean at Cal Poly Pomona when she was named acting dean of the School of Arts, replacing Albert Aschenbrenner. She served in the position until 1977. A year later, she retired and was granted the title of "Professor Emeritus."

During her time at Cal Poly Pomona, Boland served on a number of committees, including the Economics Committee, the Differential Admissions Standards Committee, and the Committee for the Admission of Female Students.

Boland died in Glendora, California on September 20, 1999. She was 85 years old.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains memos from Cal Poly Pomona President Robert Kramer and other faculty members; an agenda of an economics committee meeting; a report requesting to establish a master's of art degree in English; news clippings about Boland; clippings about campus events and Cal Poly Pomona professor Dr. Werner Marti; a resolution naming Boland as "Professor Emeritus"; and an issue of the *Student Opinion Bulletin*, a booklet made by Cal Poly Pomona students that rated professors on the campus.

The memos address various topics including the Faculty Senate's censure of University President Robert Kramer, the inauguration of University President Hugh La Bounty, and a limitation on enrollment in the Social Sciences Department.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged alphabetically by folder title.

Related Materials

Cal Poly Women's Club Records, Collection no. 0064, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Hugh O. La Bounty Papers, Collection no. 0086, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Donald H. Pflueger Cal Poly Pomona History Papers, Collection no. 0007, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Student Wives Club Poly-Annas' Records, Collection no. 0078, University Archives, Special Collections and Archives, University Library, California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

Processing Information

The collection was processed by Rob Strauss in October 2018.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona -- History

Boland, Gertrude C.

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| box 1 | Agenda - Economics Committee Meeting 1965 January 26 |
| box 1 | Clippings - Boland, Gertrude C. (Photocopies) 1970-1999 |
| box 1 | Clippings - <i>The Daily Report</i> 1977 June 12 |
| box 1 | Clippings - <i>The Poly Post</i> 1969-1974 |
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| | Scope and Contents |
| | The file contains a memo from Stan Cook, chairman of the committee for the inauguration of Hugh La Bounty as university president. |
| box 1 | Memos - Horwitz, David 1966-1967 |
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| | The file contains memos to and from David Horwitz, chairman of the Differential Admissions Standards Committee. |
| box 1 | Memos - Kramer, Robert 1968 May 20 |
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| box 1 | <i>Student Opinion Bulletin</i> (Volume 2, No. 4) 1970 April |
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