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Descriptive Summary
Title: Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Records,
Date (inclusive): 1952-1998
Creator: Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps
Extent: 3 linear feet
Repository: Henry Madden Library (California State University, Fresno).
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Fresno, California
Language: English.

Acquisition
The records were donated by the AFROTC in 1999.

Access Restrictions
The collection is open for research.

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History
It is not clear when Detachment 035 of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps was originally established at Fresno State College (now California State University, Fresno) but the earliest documentation of the unit dates back to February 5, 1952.

The unit was originally established in order to offer the option of two years of basic military training to all physically fit male undergraduates no less than fourteen years of age, and an advanced class in military training for the remainder of the undergraduate course. The unit's first year of operations started with eighty-four cadets. Detachment 035 was the first unit in the United States to have a woman enroll in a lower division course of Air Science as well as the first to admit community college students to its program when it accepted fifteen men from Fresno City College.
On December 5, 1980, the detachment was awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit award by Colonel Charles H. Wilson, the Western Area Commander.

There was also a women's auxiliary to the Air Force ROTC called Angel Flight. These women raised money for events such as balls and field days enjoyed by Angel Flight members and the men in the AFROTC.

**Scope and Content**

The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps records measure 3 linear feet and date from 1952 to 1998. These records include scrapbooks, photo albums and yearbooks of AFROTC Detachment 035 as well as scrapbooks from Angel Flight.

**Box Box 1**

**Detachment 035**

- Background paper on Detachment 035, 1997
- Class lists, 1979-1997
- Photo albums
  - 1984
  - 1985
  - 1989
- Scrapbooks
  - 1952
  - 1958 [oversize: shelved in box 4]
  - 1970
  - 1972-1973 (2 scrapbooks)
  - 1975-1976
  - 1978-1980
  - 1980
  - 1980-1981

**Box Box 2**

- Yearbooks
  - 1995
  - 1998

**Box Box 3**

**Angel Flight**

- Scrapbooks
  - 1963
  - 1965-1966

  **Additional Note**
  [oversize: shelved in box 4]

  - 1968
  - 1968
  - 1969

**Box Box 4**

**Oversize:**

- Scrapbooks
  - AFROTC, 1958
  - Angel Flight, 1965-1966