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Abstract: This collection contains standard and oversized photographs and renderings of the buildings, layout, and surrounding area of University of California, Irvine. Included are a chalk drawing and a watercolor painting of the Centrum and an ink drawing of the Fine Arts village, neither of which were built. Also included is an aerial painting of UCI, centered on Alrich Park, featuring the six schools built around Ring Road. The photographs include aerial views of campus and the surrounding area, shots of individual buildings, and images depicting students and campus life. A considerable number of photographs feature the UCI Medical School. One folder of photographs depict Frank Gehry's Engineering and Computer Science building before its demolition and replacement.
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Acquisition Information
Donated by Robert Vircsik, 2006. Donated by the ICS Development Office, 2005. Other sources and dates unknown. The Special Collections and Archives staff created this artificial collection by compiling photographs and renderings relevant to UCI's early history.
Alternative Forms of Materials
All materials except for the photographs taken by Robert Vircsik have been digitized and is available in Calisphere.
Processing History
Processed by Caytlin Yoshioka, 2016.
Historical Background
Some of the photos in this collection were donated by Robert Virscik, who was a construction supervisor for several of the early buildings at UCI. The photographs of the original Computer Science and Engineering Building were donated by the Assistant Dean Ron Hubbard shortly before the building was due to be demolished and replaced. This building was designed by Frank Gehry, a world-renown architect known for structures such as the Walt Disney Concern Hall. The rest of the collection was accrued from other unidentified, undated sources.
Collection Scope and Content Summary
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Collection Arrangement
This collection is organized in 2 series:
This collection is arranged alphabetically by topic.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**
California College of Medicine

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**Photographs Series 1 1963-1986**

Series Scope and Content Summary
This series contains photographs of UCI's buildings, campus life, and surrounding area. Chronologically, the photos begin in 1963 with an aerial photograph of the future home of UCI and end in 1986 with photographs of the growing UCI Medical School. This series also includes Frank Gehry's Engineering and Computer Science Building and the old University Center—both of which have been demolished and replaced. The source of many of the photographs cannot be determined.

- box 1, folder 9 California College of Medicine Journal Covers 1982-1986
- box 2, folder 11 Campus Building Exterior Photographs undated
- box 2, folder 12 Campus Building Exterior Photographs undated
- box 2, folder 9 Campus and Student Life Photo Collection Oct 1977
- box 2, folder 6 Centrum Architectural Model 1963
- box 2, folder 10 Crawford Hall Photograph 1964
- box 1, folder 5 Engineering and Computer Science Buildings Photographs undated
- box 1, folder 11 Humanities Plaza Photograph undated
- box 1, folder 4 Langson Library Plaza Photograph 1965
- box 1, folder 8 Medical School Aerial Photograph 1985
- box 1, folder 7 Medical School Construction Photograph circa 1977
- box 2, folder 8 Medical Sciences I Construction Photograph Nov 1977
- box 1, folder 10 Mesa Court Photographs undated
- box 2, folder 7 Newport Beach and Future Site of UCI Aug 1963
- box 1, folder 1 Robert P. Vircsik Photographs 1970
- box 1, folder 6 Science Lecture Hall Photograph circa 1965
- folder XOS 01 UCI Site Photo Aerial 1964
- box 2, folder 5 Unidentified Aerial Photograph June 1985
- box 1, folder 12 University Center Plaque May 1983

**Renderings 1963-1983**

Series Scope and Content Summary
This series includes renderings of the Centrum and the Fine Arts Plaza, neither of which were built. It also includes a watercolor painting depicting an aerial view of campus, centered on Alrich Park, featuring the six schools along Ring Road. There are also architectural layout plans of campus and the surrounding area, featuring buildings that were never built.

- box 2, folder 4 Architectural Concept Map of Central Campus 1969
- box 2, folder 1 Centrum Chalk Drawing 1964
- folder XOS 02 Centrum Watercolor circa 1963
- box 2, folder 2 Fine Arts Unit I: Art Complex and Amphitheater Concept Dec 1965
- box 2, folder 3 Map of Campus and Surrounding Area circa 1967
- folder XOS 03 UCI Watercolor circa 1963
- box 1, folder 2 Unidentified Drawing of Campus Building undated
- box 1, folder 3 University Town Center Drawing Nov 1983

**Unprocessed addition 2017** Accession 2017-015 1965-1966

**Conditions Governing Access**

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This unprocessed accretion does not contain any restricted records and is open for research.

Scope and Contents

This addition contains several photographs of early UCI buildings, including a photograph of School of Physical Sciences groundbreaking; photograph of UCI campus surrounded by wildflowers; and photographs of Mesa Court.