Henry J. Bruman papers, circa 1935-2005


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Date (inclusive): circa 1935-2005
Abstract: Henry John Bruman joined the UCLA faculty in 1945, chaired its Department of Geography from 1957-62 and retired in 1983 as professor emeritus. Bruman specialized in Latin American cultural-historical geography, plant geography and land use in the American West. The collection consists of photographs, memorabilia, research files, professional and teaching materials, field notebooks, manuscripts, maps and publications.
Language of Materials: Materials are primarily in English, some materials in Spanish and German.
Physical location: Open for research. STORED OFF-SITE AT SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact UCLA Library Special Collections for paging information.
Creator: Bruman, Henry J.
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Provenance/Source of Acquisition
The Henry J. Bruman papers were donated by Henry Bruman and boxed for transfer to the Manuscripts Division of the Department of Special Collections on 21 August 1996 by Charlotte B. Brown. The files were located in Bruman’s academic office, Bunche Hall. An addition of Bruman’s professional and research files were transferred to the University Archives in October and November 2011, and January 2012.
Processing Information
This collection was preliminarily boxed and processed by University Archivist, Charlotte B. Brown, 2012. The collection had undergone an initial sorting by Bruman before it was accessioned. Bruman was present when the collection was being boxed. UCLA publications were weeded from Bruman files and transferred to the UCLA University Archives. Duplicates were weeded at the time of reboxing. Kelly Besser completed processing in 2013.
Biography
Henry John Bruman was born in Berlin, Germany on March 25, 1913. He received his B.S. degree in chemistry from UCLA in 1935 and the following year earned a B.A. in geography from UCLA. Bruman attended graduate school at the University of California, Berkeley where he received his Ph.D. in geography in 1940 under the direction of Professor Carl O. Sauer. In 1945, Bruman joined the UCLA Department of Geography, he chaired the department from 1957-1962 and remained at UCLA for over four decades until his retirement as professor emeritus. In 1961 Bruman founded the largest academic map library in the United States at UCLA which was named in his honor in 1987. Bruman was known as an expert in Latin American cultural-historical geography, plant geography and land use in the American West. His dissertation, "Aboriginal Drink Areas in New Spain" was published sixty years later as a book entitled, Alcohol in Ancient Mexico. Bruman died on March 6, 2005 at his Westwood home.
Scope and Content
The Bruman papers span from circa 1935 to 2005 with the bulk of the materials dating from the mid-1950’s to 1970. Much of the collection consists of Bruman’s subject research files, course lectures, and project files. The collection also includes photographs, memorabilia, professional and departmental materials, field notebooks, manuscripts, maps and publications.
Organization and Arrangement
The collection was boxed as Bruman reviewed his office contents; the order was determined by Bruman. The collection has been arranged in the following series:

Series 1: Research and professional materials  
Series 2: Teaching materials  
  Subseries 2.1: UCLA projects and geography departmental records  
  Subseries 2.2: Geography course materials  
Series 3: Field notebooks, manuscripts and publications  
Series 4: Personal photos, files and memorabilia

Related Material
The following oral history is available through the UCLA Library Center for Oral History Research:


Bruman (Henry J.) map collection, UCLA Library / h [electronic resource].

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Bruman, Henry J.--Archives.
University of California, Los Angeles--Dept. of Geography--Faculty--Archival resources.
Geography teachers--California--Los Angeles--Archives.
Photographs.

Research and professional materials

Box 1  
13 maps depicting 16th century Central Mexico: Relaciones geograficas circa 1940s-1950s

Additional Note  
16th c. "Relaciones Geography of Central Mexico" - depiction of cities and towns in Mexico, ca. 1570; HB worked from Spanish and Mexican primary sources; HB made photographs of source documents; Spanish primary source documents located at the University of Texas.

Box 2, Folder 2  
Correspondence, faculty biographies and curriculum vitae, essay on department's beginnings. 1962.

Additional Note  
Not originally in folder; Correspondence, essay, undated.

Box 2, Folder 3  
Correspondence, notes, photos, and receipts for textbook on South American geography; co-author Langdon White, of Stanford University. 1954-1961.

Box 2, Folder 4  
Notes, correspondence, and typewritten manuscript for chapter in textbook on Latin America. 1957-1958.

Box 2, Folder 5  
Correspondence re Bruman's conference talk at Luso-Brazilian Symposium at University of Wisconsin; transcript of radio talk for KNX based on this conference paper. 1960.

Box 2, Folder 6  

Physical Description: Mimeograph.

Box 2, Folder 7  
Correspondence re Bruman report for Department of Navy, Office of Naval Research. 1958.

Box 2, Folder 8  
Correspondence, receipts, articles, maps, publications re stay with expedition on Galapagos Islands. 1956-1961.
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<td>Correspondence, program re Educators' Conference held by Du Pont company. 1958-1959.</td>
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<td>Budgets, correspondence and notes re Bruman's work for Office of Naval Research. 1950-1952.</td>
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<td>2, 17</td>
<td>Personal notes of Bruman on holdings of books and manuscripts in such libraries as the Library of Congress. undated</td>
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<td>14, 4</td>
<td>Stanford Meeting of West Coast Latin Americanists 1948</td>
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<td>10, 18, 14, 2, 13, 28, 2, 20</td>
<td>UCLA correspondence 1961-1963</td>
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<td>Scope and Content: Correspondence to Bruman from UCLA colleagues and Chancellor Franklin D. Murphy. Box 10 includes correspondence and articles concerning Alexander von Humboldt.</td>
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<td>Correspondence from John Hopkins University</td>
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<td>10, 13, 14, 3</td>
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<td>ONR Research Proposal and Reports</td>
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<td>Plano de la Ciudad de Papantla, Veracruz 1944 June</td>
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<td>H.B. reprint resources</td>
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<td>12, 10</td>
<td>Relaciones Geograficas - 18th century</td>
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<td>12, 14</td>
<td>Maps of Misantla and Papantla, Veracruz</td>
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<td>12, 15</td>
<td>Hoja Puebla and Pachuco</td>
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<td>Scope and Content: Materials include maps and black and white photos.</td>
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Box 12, Folders 17, 21
Vanilla - Papantla
Scope and Content
Materials include maps, photographs, manuscripts and government correspondence.

Box 12, Folder 16
Box 12, Folder 20
Survey Graphic and Latin American Report
Photos of Brazil and vegetation and landforms
Scope and Content
Photos for use with HJB's chapters of White-Bruman text.

Box 13, Folder 1
South America photos
Scope and Content
One box of black and white photos on cardstock from University of California, Southern Branch.

Box 13, Folder 2
Box 13, Folders 3-5
E.D. Merrill "The Botany of Cook's Voyages"
Henry J. Bruman Letters 1920s-1990s

Box 13, Folder 6
Ann Hinckley
Scope and Content
Correspondence between Hinckley and Ronald Lockmann concerning HJB, his health, book and Conservatorship of the Person.

Box 12, Folder 9, Box 13, Folders 10-12, 18, 23, 30, 35, Box 14, Folders 12-13
Kroeber letter and other Appendix material
Letters
Scope and Content
Folder 18 correspondence includes minutes for the Henry J. Bruman Educational Foundation Board meeting. Folder 23 includes a transcription of HJB's radio talk, "Brazil and Argentina" and an article that highlights the UCLA Map Library as the largest academic map library in the United States.

Box 13, Folder 14
Box 13, Folder 20
Box 13, Folder 21
Box 13, Folder 22
Southern Studies Project papers
Professor Wolfgang Knigge papers, publications
HJB in Gottingen
HJB 80th Birthday Concert and Tribute
Scope and Content
Box 13 includes a program for the celebration and Ron Lockmann's remarks. Box 14 includes congratulatory letters of appreciation, invites, guest list and photo album.

Box 13, Folder 26
Norris Hundley
Scope and Content
Correspondence about HJB between Lockmann, Hinckley and Hundley.

Box 13, Folder 27
Coconut Industry Board
Scope and Content
Materials include correspondence, manuscripts and publications.

Box 13, Folder 36
Box 14, Folder 6
Box 14, Folder 20
HJB notes, inventory and articles
HB Foundation Library Advisory Committee
A Half Century in Chemistry at UCLA 1932-1982
Publications
Scope and Content
Teaching materials

Geography course materials

Box 2, Folder 1

Course handouts for Geography 1B and Geography 250. n.d.

Physical Description: Mimeographs.

Additional Note
Not originally in folder.

Box 2, Folder 12

Test questions. 1978.

Physical Description: Carbon copies.

Box 2, Folders 13-14

Midterms and final examinations for various geography courses. 1951-1977.

Additional Note
Dates broken.

Box 2, Folder 15, Box 9, Folder 8, Box 3, Folders 8-9

Geography 122A and 122B final exams and check sheets n.d.

Box 2, Folder 16

Midterms and final examinations for various geography courses. 1952-1976.

Additional Note
Dates broken.

Box 2, Folder 18

Notes, article, and clipping for Geography 5 (course). n.d.

Physical Description: Clipping deteriorated.

Additional Note
Clipping dated 1943; from New York Times.

Box 2, Folder 21

Geography 175 examinations

Box 2, Folder 27

Basic Readings in Geography

Box 2, Folder 24

Geography 101 clippings

Box 3, Folder 5

A Historical Chronology of the Department of Geography, UCLA

Box 3, Folder 11

Geographic Bibliography

Scope and Content
Tables and exercises for graduate students in geography.

Box 3, Folder 14

Geography 1A final exam and clippings

Box 3, Folder 16

Geography 40, 122A and 122B notes on curriculum

Box 5, Folders 1-6, Box 4, Folders 1-14, Box 3, Folders 23-28

Geography graduate seminar papers

Scope and Content
Many of the papers in Box 4 and 5 include black and white photos of Los Angeles.

Box 5, Folders 7-24

Geography graduate seminar notes and exams

Box 7, Folders 1-44, Box 6, Folders 1-60

Graduate course files

Scope and Content
Materials include lectures notes, assignments, exams, class schedules, lists of topics, readings, articles, brochures and clippings. The majority of the Box 7 materials concern the study of Brazil.
### Teaching materials

### Geography course materials

| Box 9, Folder 1 | **Interdisciplinary in Latin American Studies**  
|                | Scope and Content  
|                | Bibliographies.  
| Box 10,  
| Folders 2-4, Box 9,  
| Folders 11-14  
| Box 9, Folder 10  
| Box 13, Folder 29  
| Box 14, Folder 5 | **Upper division Geography papers**  
| Box 10, Folder 12  
| Box 10, Folder 11 | **Geography 182 papers**  
| Box 13, Folder 24,  
| Box 10, Folder 14 | **Sauer's Course on Domestication, Aschmann's Notes**  
| Box 10, Folder 15,  
| Box 13, Folder 25,  
| Box 11 | **The Beginnings of Geography in the University of California**  
| Box 10, Folder 22 | **Field notebooks, manuscripts and publications**  
| Box 11 | **Excerpts from Geographical Review**  
| Box 10, Folder 11 | "Post-War Agricultural Colonization in Brazil"  
| Box 10, Folder 14 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 10, Folder 15,  
| Box 13, Folder 25,  
| Box 11 | **Articles, papers and reprints**  
| Box 10, Folder 24,  
| Box 10, Folder 14 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 10, Folder 15,  
| Box 13, Folder 25,  
| Box 11 | **Aboriginal Drink Areas in New Spain**  
| Box 10, Folder 11 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 10, Folder 22 | **Red Book #1 circa 1935**  
| Box 11 | **H. J. Bruman Bibliography**  
| Box 14, Folder 24,  
| Box 11 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 11 | **Field notebooks 1951 November-December**  
| Box 11 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 11, Folder 24,  
| Box 11 | **Seven bound field notebooks.**  
| Box 11 | **Red Book #2 and #3**  
| Box 11 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 11 | **HJB's bound field notebooks.**  
| Box 11 | **Memorandums**  
| Box 11 | **Scope and Content**  
| Box 11 | **Field notebook.**  

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Box 12, Folder 2  Distillation in New Spain
Scope and Content
Bound, annotated manuscript by HJB. See Box 10 and 11: Aboriginal Drink Areas in New Spain.

Box 12, Folder 8, Box 13, Folder 31  Manuscripts and proposals
"Sovereign California: The State's Most Plausible Alternative Scenario"
MSS (old)
Scope and Content
Manuscripts include "Brazil's Place in the Cultural Development of the World," "The Caribbean and the Panama Canal" and "Goethe and Science."

Box 12, Folder 13  "Carl Sauer in Mid-Career: A Personal View by One of His Students"
Encyclopedia copy 1957 March
Scope and Content
Encyclopedia Britannica copy on Mexico.

Box 12, Folder 18, Box 13, Folders 8, 33  U.S. Air Force chapter 1957
Scope and Content
Materials concerning HJB's chapter on Latin America for the Air Force Political Geography text.

Box 13, Folder 15, Box 14, Folder 14, Box 14, Folders 15-17  Geography and the War
Mescal
Alexander Von Humboldt

Personal photos, files and memorabilia

Box 10, Folder 5, Box 14, Folders 8, 18, Box 13, Folder 34, Box 10, Folders 7-9, 16-17  Chayote recipes
Photos
Scope and Content
Box 10: Folder 8 includes German correspondence and a black and white photo concerning the HJB Map Library at UCLA. Materials in folder 17 were removed from a binder and include postcards and HJB's tourist card. Box 13: Folder 34 includes images of childhood, family and Carl Sauer field excursion.

Box 10, Folder 19, Box 13, Folder 19, Box 13, Folder 13, Box 13  Fiscal data - philanthropy
Letters from Charlotte Crabtree
Audio recordings
Scope and Content
Materials include two audiocassette recordings of UCLA Bruman Tribute and one audiocassette recording of the ceremony naming the UCLA Map Library the H. J. Bruman Library.

Box 14, Folder 1  Private H.J.B.
Scope and Content
Personal and professional correspondence.

Box 14  UCLA Order of the Golden Bruin
Scope and Content
Materials include a reception invitation and an alumni award for excellence.
### UCLA projects and Geography departmental records

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<th>Bruman's notes, official paperwork and forms for graduate students under his direction. 1948-1976.</th>
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<td>Correspondence, photos, notes and reports for UCLA-Brazil Student Leader Seminar.</td>
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