Burton R. Clark papers, circa 1955-2009

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Abstract: Robert Burton Clark, UCLA Professor Emeritus of Higher Education and Sociology, was one of the first sociologists to study higher education from a global perspective. His research interests include comparative higher education, development of graduate schools, entrepreneurial universities, and sustaining change in universities. Materials include transcripts of presentations, speeches and lectures as well as conference files, research files, publications, reprints, and alphabetical files of correspondence.

Language of Materials: Materials are in English.
Physical Location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact the UCLA Library Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.
Creator: Clark, Burton R.

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Biography/History
Burton “Bob” Clark earned his Ph.D. in Sociology at University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in 1954. Clark was the first incumbent of the Allan M. Cartter Professorship and served in that post until his formal retirement as Professor Emeritus of Higher Education and Sociology, UCLA. During his career, he taught at five American research universities in departments of sociology and graduate schools of education: Stanford University (Sociology, 1953-1956); Harvard University (Education, 1956-1958); UC Berkeley (Education, 1955-1966); Yale University (Sociology, 1956-1966); and UCLA (Education, 1980-1991). Clark was one of the first sociologists to study higher education from a global perspective. His research interests include comparative higher education, development of graduate schools, entrepreneurial universities, and sustaining change in universities. Clark’s cross-national research laid the foundation for his landmark book, Creating Entrepreneurial Universities: Organizational Pathways of Transformation (1998). Clark’s numerous publications also include The Open Door College (1960), The Distinctive College (1970), Academic Power in Italy (1977), The Academic Life: Small Worlds, Different Worlds (1987), and Places of Inquiry, Research and Advanced Education in Modern Universities (1995). In 1989 he was elected fellow of the British Society for Research into Higher Education and became a Distinguished Member of the European Association for Institutional Research in 1997. The following year he received the Comenius Medal from UNESCO and was awarded honorary doctoral degrees from the universities of Strathclyde (1998) and Turku (2000). Clark died on October 28, 2009.

Scope and Content
The collection consists of records related to Burton R. Clark’s career as a professor of education and sociology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Materials include transcripts of presentations, speeches and lectures, conference files,
research files, publications, reprints, and alphabetical files of correspondence.

**Organization and Arrangement**
This collection was arranged according to the creator's original order.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**
Clark, Burton R.--Archives.
University of California, Los Angeles. School of Education--Faculty--Archives.
Sociologists--United States--Archives.

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**Box 1, Folder 1**
**The Academic Life: Small Worlds, Different Worlds. 1987-1990.**
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

**Box 1, Folder 2**
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

**Box 1, Folder 3**
**Nominations for awards.**
Scope and Content
Correspondence concerning nominations for awards.

**Box 1, Folders 4-5**
**Biographical files.**
Scope and Content
Copies of Clark's curriculum vitae and biographies.

**Box 1, Folder 6**
**Reviews and commentary on Burton R. Clark publications.**
Scope and Content
Reviews and commentary regarding Places of Inquiry: Research and Advanced Education in Modern Universities and Educating the Expert Society.

**Box 1, Folder 7**
**Correspondence.**
Scope and Content Note
General correspondence and emails. See also: Alphabetical files by correspondent's last name.

**Box 1, Folder 8**
**Creating Entrepreneurial Universities: Organizational Pathways to Transformation. 1997-1999.**
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

**Box 1, Folder 9**
**The Distinctive College: Antioch, Reed & Swarthmore. 1969-1979.**
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

**Box 1, Folder 10**
**The Encyclopedia of Higher Education. 1993-1994.**
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning this encyclopedia edited by Clark and Guy Neave.

**Box 1, Folder 11**
**Higher Education: Handbook of Theory and Research. 1998-1999.**
Scope and Content Note
Correspondence concerning Clark's autobiographical essay for Volume 15.
Box 1, Folders 12-14
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

Box 1, Folder 15
Comenius Medal (UNESCO) speech. 1998 October 4-9.
Scope and Content
Copies of Clark's "University Transformation for the Twenty-First Century," remarks delivered to an international audience of ministers of education and their national delegations, upon award of the Comenius Medal, at the UNESCO World Conference on Higher Education, Paris, France. The Jan Amos Comenius Medal is intended to reward and promote outstanding achievements and innovations carried out in the fields of teaching and educational research, as well as to commemorate the spiritual heritage of Jan Amos Comenius.

Box 1, Folder 16
Scope and Content
An outline for Clark's fireside chat with UCLA Higher Education and Organizational Change graduate students, a copy of "Europe in Transition: Implications for U.S. Higher Education," remarks prepared for a panel discussion at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the American Council in Education and a copy of "Pursuing the Entrepreneurial University," his plenary keynote address for international conference, Innovation and Change in the University, Brazil.

Box 1, Folder 17
Scope and Content

Box 1, Folders 18-22
Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically.

Box 1, Folders 23-24
Scope and Content
Correspondence, reviews and excerpts of this book edited by Clark.

Box 1, Folders 25-26
Scope and Content
Reviews and correspondence concerning Clark's book.

Box 1, Folders 27-28
Scope and Content
Correspondence, reviews and excerpts of this book edited by Clark.
Container List

Box 1, Folders 29-30
**The School and the University: An International Perspective. 1984-1989; 1997.**
Scope and Content
Correspondence, reviews and excerpts of this book edited by Clark.

Box 1, Folders 31-32
**Personal files. 1954-1993.**
Scope and Content
Materials include personal and professional correspondence, job offers, UCLA's 35th Commencement booklet and the announcement for Clark's Ph.D. final exam.

Box 1, Folders 33-34
**BRC papers.**
Scope and Content
Bibliographies, book reviews, articles and copies of presentations.

Box 2, Folders 1-7
**Photographs. circa 1964-1994.**
Scope and Content
Photographs of Clark and his colleagues at conferences.

Box 2, Folders 8-80
**[Alphabetical files: A to E].**
Scope and Content
Materials include correspondence arranged alphabetically by institution, conference, country, article or presentation title or correspondent's last name.

Box 3, Folders 1-86
**[Alphabetical files: F to N].**
Scope and Content
Materials include correspondence arranged alphabetically by institution, conference, country, article or presentation title or correspondent's last name.

Box 4, Folders 1-61
**[Alphabetical files: Neave, Guy to T].**
Scope and Content
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Box 5, Folders 1-20
**[Alphabetical files: U to Z].**
Scope and Content
Materials include correspondence arranged alphabetically by institution, conference, country, article or presentation title or correspondent's last name.

Box 5, Folders 21-53
**Publications and reprints [authored by Burton Robert Clark].**
Scope and Content
Box 5, Folders 54-74

**Conference files.**

**Scope and Content**

Materials include copies of Clark's presentations and publications from conferences.

Box 5, Folders 75-79

**Research files.**

**Scope and Content**

Articles and clippings concerning research universities, research based teaching and learning and economics in Europe. Materials also include Clark's manuscript, "Academic Federalism: The American Experience in International Perspective."

Box 6

**Publications and reprints [authored by Burton Robert Clark].**

**Scope and Content**