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Abstract: Record Series 691 includes the administrative files of Angus E. Taylor, chair of the mathematics department from 1958 to 1964 and those of acting chair, Paul G. Hoel from 1961 to 1962. Files include Chair's files, directories, and proposal documents.

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Biography

Angus E. Taylor was appointed instructor in mathematics at the University of California, Los Angeles in 1938. During World War II, he served in operations analysis projects at UCLA and also, from 1944 to 1945 while on leave of absence, with the U.S. Army Air Force. He advanced to assistant professor (1940), associate professor (1942), and full professor (1944). He and his colleague Professor G. E. F. Sherwood published in 1942 a calculus text that became a welcome standard for students for many years. This textbook went through three successful editions before it went out of print in 1978. He was a lifelong believer in the essential linkages between teaching and research as conditions of faculty life. His own work in mathematics focused on spectral theory. Taylor later studied the history of functional analysis and wrote a monograph on that subject, after doing research on the work of the French mathematician Frechet during a sabbatical leave in Paris. He served as chair of the Department of Mathematics at UCLA during the period 1958 to 1964.

Scope and Content

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This is an inactive record series; no additional University records are expected to be added.

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Box 1

Chair's files. 1958-1963.

Extent: 6 folders

Scope and Contents note

Includes correspondence and papers relating to staffing issues such as new appointments and faculty advancement/promotions, papers relating to salary decisions, notes from department meetings, memos, and miscellaneous administrative papers. Records dating 1961 - 1962 are those of acting chairman Paul Hoel.
Box 1  **Directory of PH.D. students. 1962-1963.**

*Scope and Contents note*
Includes the educational history and research interests of PH.D. candidates in the Department of Mathematics during the 1962 - 1963 academic year.

Box 1  **Proposal to improve academic appointment and promotion procedures. 1961-1963.**

*Extent: 2 folders*

*Scope and Contents note*
Includes Academic Senate meetings minutes, reports and correspondence to and from Angus E. Taylor regarding Taylor's proposal to improve appointment and promotions procedures at UCLA.