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The collection also contains a number of printed works relating to the study of time, as well as other topics. These have been cataloged separately and can be searched in the UCSB Libraries online catalog.
Related Materials
Davidson (Donald C.) Oral History, 1984, 1993. Interviews with University Librarian Davidson, tracing the development of the UCSB Library, explaining the origins of each collection, and describing the trials he faced in keeping pace with the academic needs of a growing institution. Also 1993 interviews with other librarians in conjunction with naming of the Library in honor of Davidson, including Martha Peterson, Windal Simons, Christian Brun, Don Fitch, Grace Callahan, and Henry Tai. (OH 15).
UCSB Library Records. Includes materials from Davidson's time as University Librarian. (UArch 22).
UCSB Office of Public Information Biographical Files. One file containing clippings and other documents about Davidson. (UArch 11).
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Time
Calendars
Chronology
Clocks and watches
Sundials
Articles
Calendars (documents by form)
Card files
Clippings (information artifacts)
Clocks
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2017 Addition

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Scope and Contents

Materials documenting Donald C. Davidson's activities as a graduate student at the University of California, history professor and librarian at the University of the Redlands, and University Librarian at the University of California, Santa Barbara (1947-1977).

Material in this addition includes correspondence, drafts of scholarly papers, library administrative files, annual reports, newsletters, as well as photographs, clippings and biographical files.

Acquisition Information


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