

Guide to the Russell M. Cooper papers, 1960-1975

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Biographical Note

Russell Cooper (1907-1975) was the first dean of the University of South Florida's College of Liberal Arts now known as the College of Arts and Sciences. Cooper helped develop the academic curriculum and selected the original faculty of USF. He was one of the originators of the university's theme "Accent on Learning" due to his emphasis on a broad general education. One of his ideas for higher education included a senior seminar, which he believed would draw together the elements of the college experience. Cooper Hall was named in his honor after he retired.

Scope Note

The papers consist of drafts and working papers for his history of early development of the University of South Florida. The papers were published as *The Vision of a Contemporary University: A Case Study of Expansion and Development in American Higher Education, 1950-1975* through Tampa: University Presses of Florida, 1982.

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