



# Guide to the Department of Religion Records, 1954-2016

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## Summary

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**Collection Title:**

Department of Religion records, 1954-2016

**Creator:**

Duke University. Department of Religion

**Abstract:**

In 1960, the existing graduate and undergraduate programs in religious studies at Duke University were consolidated into the Department of Religion under the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. The Department of Religion offers undergraduate and graduate level courses surrounding numerous aspects of religious study. The collection includes information relating to the management of both academic and administrative affairs and includes correspondence, committee meeting minutes, event planning materials, budgetary information, course materials, and other documents that illustrate the development of the Religious Studies program.

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## **Background**

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### **Scope and Content**

The Department of Religion Records contains correspondence, committee meeting minutes and faculty recruitment and departmental budgetary information produced by the Department of Religion between 1954-1978. The collection also provides information on curriculum and course development, planning materials for events and speakers hosted by the department and information about proposals for new professorships including a faculty exchange program with the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. The Department of Religion Records also includes materials related to the development of the Masters and PhD. programs including dissertation proposals and sample copies of PhD. examinations. The collection also contains copies of the departmental newspaper, Tower of Babel; information related to two departmental self-studies conducted in 1965 and 1975; and records from courses on Vatican II taught by Sam Miglarese.

### **Biographical/Historical**

In 1960, the existing graduate and undergraduate programs in religious studies at Duke University were consolidated into the Department of Religion under the provision of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. The Department of Religion offers an undergraduate major and minor in Religious Studies, M.A. in Religious Studies and a nationally regarded PhD program. The Department of Religion studies major world religious traditions including Islam, Christianity, Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Confucianism and Taoism. The department also offers courses examining the core philosophical notions and broader impacts of religion on human life. Faculty from the department have included William H. Poteat, an influential scholar on the Post-Critical mode of thinking who served as department chairman from 1972-1978 and Thomas Langford who later served as dean of the Duke University Divinity School from 1971-1981 and as Provost from 1991-1994.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Processing Information**

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## **Names and Subjects**

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- Religious education -- Study and teaching

- Duke University. Department of Religion
- Poteat, William H.
- Langford, Thomas A.
- Miglarese, Sam R.

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**Scope and Contents**

Consists of records related to Sam Miglarese's teachings and courses on Vatican II. Materials include correspondence, articles, handouts, notes, and syllabi.

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