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Manuscript Collections
The CUA Archives collects manuscript collections, university records, audiovisual material and museum pieces documenting the history of Catholics in the United States and of the Catholic University community.

Our manuscript collections are strong in Catholic institutional, intellectual and labor history. They include:

- **Papers of the National Catholic Welfare Council/Conference/United States Catholic Conference.** Spanning 1919-1995, these papers reflect the institutional growth and change of the U.S. Catholic hierarchy across the 20th century. Included in this collection are the papers of the National Council of Catholic Women, the National Council of Catholic Men, as well as the organization's Social Action Department and Education Department records.

- **Records of the Fenian Brotherhood.** This collection contains pamphlets, newspapers, photographs and ledgers of the American wing of the Fenians, established in Ireland in 1858 with the avowed purpose of overthrowing British rule in Ireland and establishing an Irish Republic.

- **Terence Vincent Powderly Papers.** Born in 1849 in Carbondale, Pa., Terence Powderly rose to national leadership of one of the most influential labor unions of the 19th-century United States, the Knights of Labor. Powderly's papers chronicle his rise and offer a window into the industrial transformation of the times.

Programs and Materials

**University Records**
The Archives is the official repository for Catholic University records. Material from university offices and departments are housed at the Archives to provide a historical record of the university, and to allow staff access to inactive university documents.

**Records Management**
The records management program reduces the costs of locating records, helps the university comply with legal and regulatory obligations, ensures that records of permanent value are deposited in the Archives on a regular basis, and that records with no permanent historical value are properly disposed.

Museum Collection
The museum collection contains paintings, anthropological items, historic furniture and other antiquities. The majority of the museum pieces have been moved into exhibit cases, campus offices and meeting spaces throughout campus.

Audiovisual Material
The university's history is documented in the numerous photographs, audio, and video recordings contained in the audiovisual collections. In addition, many of the manuscript collections held by the Archives offer an extensive range of photographs and recordings.

Outreach and Educational Programs
The Archives promotes scholarly and public understanding of its materials through Web sites that make key primary documents related to Catholic themes readily available to educators and researchers, the Dorothy Mohler and George Higgins lecture series, as well as special educational events aimed at the public, university and research communities.