Hamilton & Graham Architectural Records
1910-1988
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Title: Hamilton & Graham Architectural Records

Creator: Frederick H. Graham and Charles E. Hamilton

Inclusive Dates: 1910-1988

Extent: 97.2 cu. ft.

Containers: 13 flat file drawers, OVC box, manuscript box, 4 slide boxes (microfilm)

Language of Materials: Materials entirely in English.

Preferred Citation:
Hamilton & Graham Architectural Records, Drawings and Documents Archive, Archives and Special Collections, Ball State University Libraries

Biographical Note:
Frederick Graham (1912-2007) earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Architecture from the University of Michigan in 1936. He began his career with the George G. Booth Traveling Fellowship in Architecture in 1936 and became a draftsman for Alden B. Dow in 1937. He then began work for the firm of Houck and Hamilton from 1938-41. In 1941 he became partner and president of the firm Hamilton and Graham. Graham retired in 1986.

Charles Eugene Hamilton began his career as a draftsman for Houck and Smenner Architects. He later partnered with Charles Houck at first (c.1934-1940) and then Graham, forming Hamilton and Graham Architects. Hamilton retired and left the firm in 1964, but his name was retained in the firm’s title for his name recognition and professional prestige.

The names under which the firms conducted business are:

- Houck & Hamilton 1932-40
- Hamilton, Charles Eugene 1940
- Hamilton & Graham 1941-
- Hamilton, Graham & Hodge 1964-65
- Hamilton, Graham, Associates 1966-69
Scope and Contents:
Collection contains 6,013 architectural working drawings, specifications, firm commission list, photographs, negatives, and microfiche/microfilm dating from 1910-1988 for numerous building projects from the architecture firm of Graham, Love & Graham Architects, Inc. and predecessor firms.

The earliest works of the collection were created by Charles Hamilton as a draftsman for Houck and Smenner Architects. Several records throughout the collection are commissions by other firms. The drawings are arranged chronologically.

A commission list prepared by Frederick Graham in 1990 lists projects and commission numbers, in chronological order, from 1936-87. A detailed listing of commissions and related work to Charles E. Hamilton and Frederick H. Graham can be found in A Hundred Year Succession of Indiana Architects and Their Work 1888-1988 written by Frederick H. Graham.

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Custodial History:
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Accruals: No additions are expected.

Processing Information:
Collection processing completed
Finding aid created 1990/7/30 by Andrew R. Seager; revised 2012/2/17 by Julie Edwards and Carol Street.

Arrangement:
The Hamilton & Graham Architectural Records are arranged chronologically.

Controlled Access Headings:
   Architecture, American
   Architecture--Indiana--Indianapolis
Architecture, commercial
Drawings, architectural (visual works)
Elevation drawings
School buildings
Documents
Architecture--Designs and plans--Working drawings
Photographs
Graham, Frederick H.
Hamilton, C. E. (Charles Eugene)
College buildings
Fire station
Store, retail
Buildings, commercial
Buildings, apartment
Buildings, school
Buildings, university
Buildings, religious
Buildings, residential
Government buildings
Hospital buildings
Library
Building, bank