

EARLY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND MISCELLANEOUS
MEDICAL RECORDS

Papers, 1875-1929
.75 Linear Feet
28 Scrapbooks and Bound Volumes

Accession Number 475

Early School of Medicine and Miscellaneous Medical Records were placed in the Wayne State University Archives by several donors over a period of time.

The Wayne State University School of Medicine had four important forerunners. The Detroit Medical College, founded in 1868 by five Detroit area physicians in a building on Woodward Avenue adjacent to Harper Hospital, offered a two-year program leading to the M.D. degree and held its first commencement for thirty-three transfer students in 1869. The Michigan College of Medicine, incorporated in 1879 by a group of physicians and lay stock subscribers, offered classes in the former Hotel Hesse at the intersection of Gratiot Avenue, Madison Avenue and St. Antoine Street.

In 1885 the two competing schools merged to form the Detroit College of Medicine, adding their financial assets and faculties and taking up residence in the old Michigan College of Medicine building. Dr. Theodore A. McGraw, Sr. was elected the first president of the faculty, serving through 1913. In 1891 the College added three new but ultimately unsuccessful programs: a two year curriculum leading to the D.V.S. degree in Veterinary Medicine discontinued in 1899, a two year curriculum leading to the Ph.C. degree in Pharmacy discontinued in 1905, and a three year curriculum leading to the D.D.S. degree in Dental Surgery discontinued in 1909. In 1895 the College required a four year course of all graduates in the Medical Department.

As a result of financial difficulties, the College was re-organized and refinanced as the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery in 1913. Dr. Burt R. Shurly, who replaced retiring Faculty President McGraw in the newly created Office of the Dean, modernized and lengthened the required course of study, re-organized the teaching departments, and added several faculty members. One year of college level premedical work was required for admission to the College which earned a Class A rating from American Medical Association inspectors in 1914. In 1917 the College organized and operated Base Hospital #36 in southern France under the direction of Dr. Shurly who resigned as Dean to participate in the war effort. In 1918, control of the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery was transferred to the Detroit Board of Education which appointed Walter MacCraken to replace Shurly.

In addition to the records of the institutions preceding the Wayne State University School of Medicine, the collection also includes papers of other medical organizations. The Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery was founded by Dr. Hal C. Wyman who left the Michigan College of Medicine

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at the time of its merger with the Detroit Medical College. The College opened in 1888 at the corner of Second and Porter Streets and closed in 1908. Records of the Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery in the University Archives cover the period 1888 to 1906. Other papers are from the Detroit Physicians Association, 1900 to 1904 and the Wayne County Medical Society, 1898 to 1923.

The records of the early College of Medicine and the additional miscellaneous medical records reflect the growing need and importance of medical education as well as the economic fluctuations experienced by these institutions. The records also reflect a very humanistic side of medical education in Detroit as it includes extensive detail of faculty, students and alumni.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

- Case Study of Erythro-Melalgia, by Dr. Willis Anderson, c. 1889
- Detroit College of Medicine, 1885-1912
 - Alumni Association
 - Banquets
 - Board of Trustees
 - Class Schedules/Catalogs
 - Commencements
 - Faculty
 - Fire of 1896
 - Stockholders
 - University of Detroit's Attempt to Purchase College
- Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, 1913-1929
 - Board of Trustees
 - By-Laws
 - Detroit Commandery, Knights Templar Unit, Base Hospital #36
 - Faculty
 - Harper Base Hospital, No. 17
 - Physiology Laboratory, Equipment and Supplies Inventory, 1920
 - Seal
 - Transfer of Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery to the Board of Education
 - Women, Admittance into Medical Colleges, 1919
 - Use of the Wayne County Medical Society Library
- Detroit Medical College, 1875-1885
 - Alumni Association
 - Class Schedules
 - Commencement
- Detroit Physicians Association, 1900-1904
- Michigan College of Medicine
 - Alumni Association
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Wayne County Medical Society
Donors and Donations
Library Accessions, 1910-1922
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Michigan Health Exposition, June, 1923
War Bulletin, 1917-1919

Among the correspondents are: (an index to the location of these
letters will be found on the last page
of the guide)

Father William F. Dooley, University of Detroit
Walter H. MacCracken, M.D. Theodore McGraw,
M.D. Burt Shurly, M.D.

Contents

3 Manuscript Boxes

27 Scrapbooks and Bound Volumes (15 Oversize Boxes)

Scrapbooks, ledgers and minute books are arranged according to the institution or organization to which they refer. Records of the Detroit Medical College and the Michigan College of Medicine are followed by those of the Detroit College of Medicine and the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery. Papers of the Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery follow although this is not in chronological sequence as it is a separate institution. The volumes pertaining to their respective institutions are arranged alphabetically by the originating office or group within the college. Following the official records of the medical colleges are a variety of programs, reports, and correspondence relating to the medical colleges which were previously removed from the scrapbooks or were received from a variety of sources and fall within the time span of this collection, 1875-1929. These records also are arranged by the college. Especially noteworthy is the correspondence of Dr. Walter H. MacCraken, Dean of the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, in which he gives details on different aspects of the college, the physiology department, health insurance, advertising by doctors, and the abuse of the Wayne County Medical Society Library, circa 1922, by medical students. Also included, as miscellaneous records is a History of a Case of Erythro-Melalgia by Dr. Willis Anderson, circa 1889.

BOX 1

1. Detroit Medical College - Detroit College of Medicine, Alumni Record, 1875-1892
The Secretary's official "scrapbook of bills, circulars and printed matter pertaining to the association" constitutes the earliest systematic record of the history of the medical school. Includes one folder of loose material from the "scrapbook".
2. Michigan College of Medicine - Detroit College of Medicine, Alumni Record, 1881-1889
Includes the Constitution of the Michigan College of Medicine Alumni Association, lists of members, faculty signatures, and minutes of meetings.

BOX 2

1. Detroit College of Medicine Alumni Association, Alumni Records, 1886-1905
Includes the Constitution and by-laws of the Alumni Association and a record of the deaths of members.

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2. Detroit College of Medicine, Alumni Association, Treasurer's Account Book, 1886-1905
Includes class lists, 1889-1892, with indications of duespaying members, a record of dues collected and money spent by years.
Includes one folder of loose material from the book.

BOX 3

1. Detroit College of Medicine Board of Trustees, Minutes, 1899-1912
Includes the minutes of the annual meetings of the stockholders of the Detroit College of Medicine, 1900-1913. Two folders of related loose material from the volume are also contained in this ledger box.

BOX 4

1. Detroit College of Medicine Class of 1901, Souvenir Annual, 1900
Contains a history of the College, pictures, faculty biographies and students of the 1900-1901 session.
2. Detroit College of Medicine Faculty Proceedings, Secretary's Record, 1885-1895
Kept by three Secretaries of the Faculty: Dr. Charles J. Lundy, June, 1885-April, 1886; Dr. Eugene Skinner, April, 1890-September, 1892; and Dr. H.O. Walker, April, 1886-September, 1895. Minutes taken during Dr. Skinner's term of office are in his own handwriting.

BOX 5

1. Detroit College of Medicine, Secretary's Scrapbook, 1885-1898
Probably compiled by Dr. Eugene C. Skinner, most of the material falls within the period 1890-1893. Many of the announcements and clippings refer to interests of Dr. Skinner as the establishment of new departments in the medical school, and the founding of a University of Detroit. Also includes lecture schedules, commencement and banquet programs, clippings of the Detroit College of Medicine fire of December 17, 1896.

Detroit College of Medicine Scrapbook, 1894-1906

Eight pages of newspaper clippings about the Detroit College of Medicine dated 1894 to 1896: commencement exercises, 25th anniversary, the fire of '96, brief history of the college, and student roughhousing. Includes one folder of loose material from the scrapbook which has commencement programs, examinations and class schedules. In the back is a set of drawings of a medical nature. Located in Box 18.

BOX 6

1. Detroit College of Medicine Senate, Minutes, 1898-1909
Also includes invoices of the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, 1925-1928. One folder of loose material from the volume is included.

Detroit College of Medicine Stockholders' Share Book,
1888-1913, Located in Box 17

BOX 7

1. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery Board of Trustees,
Records, 1913-1921
Includes by-laws of the College, minutes, financial
information and some correspondence. Also includes
one folder of loose material from the volume.
2. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, Organizer's Minute
Book, 1913
Includes the by-laws of the newly formed Detroit College
of Medicine and Surgery, successor to the Detroit College
of Medicine.

BOX 8

1. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, Scrapbook, 1916-1921
Probably made for Dean Walter MacCraken by his daughter
Frances or Mrs. Inga Werness, both 1921 graduates of the
Medical School. This volume contains clippings and
photographs dealing with the activities of teachers, alumni
and students in the two Detroit base hospital units,
number 17 and number 36, in France during World War I as
well as information about the transfer of the Detroit
College of Medicine and Surgery to the Board of Education,
and clippings concerning the admittance of women into
medical schools, 1919. The book was originally owned by
W.M. Hayman, a member of the class of 1917, who evidently
left it at the college after graduation. His laboratory
notes appear beneath the clippings. One folder of loose
material from the scrapbook are included.
2. Unidentified, Day Book of Physicians on Duty, 1922-1923
Many of the persons whose names appear in this book from
an unidentified hospital can be identified as members of
the faculty of the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery.
Includes one folder of loose material from the book.

BOX 9

1. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery Faculty Minutes, 1913
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6. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery Faculty Minutes, 1918
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BOX 10

1. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery Board of Trustees, Minutes, 1888-1902
2. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery Stockholders, Minutes, 1901-1904

Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery, Student Index Book, 1901-1906

An alphabetical student index, including the page on which students are listed in the Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery, Student Record Book. This volume is located in Box 17.

BOX 11

1. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery, Student Record Book, 1901-1906
Lists students by name with their address, preceptor, age, occupation, education background, date of matriculation and the years attended, and the date of graduation.
2. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery, Work Record Certificate Book, 1904
Primarily blank forms, the only name included is J.M. McCortly.

BOX 12

1. Detroit Medical College; List of Trustees, Faculty and Graduates from 1869-1881; Reunion Program, 1885
2. ; Clippings, 1876, 1881-1885
3. ; Commencement, 1876, 1878, 1880, 1882; Class Schedule, 1884-1885
4. ; Correspondence of Theo. McGraw, Photocopies, 1860-1863, 1867
5. Michigan College of Medicine - Clippings, 1884
6. - Commencement, 1881, 1882
Class Schedule, 1883; Receipt, 1904
7. Detroit College of Medicine; Admittance Card, 1886-1887; Receipt, 1904; Rules, 1902, 1907
8. ; Alumni Association Annual Report, 1888, 1889-1890

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9. Detroit College of Medicine; Alumni Association Constitution,
Photocopy; Reunion Invitation, 1920
10. ; Banquet Invitations, Programs, 1886,
1888, 1894-1896
11. ; Banquet Programs, 1897, 1902, 1905,
1924
12. ; Catalogs, 1891-1892, 1898-1899, 1899-1900
13. ; Catalogs, 1900-1901, 1901-1902,
1902-1903
14. ; Class Schedules, 1889-1890, 1892-1893,
1894-1895, 1899-1900; Examination
Schedules, 1895, 1902
15. ; Clippings, 1887-1893, Undated
16. ; Commencement Address, 1899;
Invitations, Programs, 1886, 1891,
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17. ; Commencement Invitations, Programs,
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18. ; Stockholders, 1885-1913
19. ; University of Detroit's Attempt to
Purchase, Photocopies, 1911, 1912
20. Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery; Correspondence of W.H.
MacCraken, May-August,
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21. ; Correspondence of W.H.
MacCraken, October, 1920-
October, 1921
22. ; Correspondence of W.H.
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23. ; Miscellaneous Correspondence,
1918, 1920; Finances, 1920
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24. ; Seal, Undated; Instruction
in Obstetrics, 1913; Faculty
Record Book, 1914-1915
25. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery - Faculty Meeting Minutes,
December 19, 1894
26. - Property Value, 1888;
Article Reprint, by H.C.
Wyman, 1898; Commencement,
1899; New Building, ca.
1904
27. Miscellaneous Records - History of a Case of Erythro-Melalgia, by
Dr. Willis Anderson, c. 1889

BOX 13

1. Detroit Physicians Association Meetings, 1900-1904

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Includes both regular and committee minutes compiled by Walter Cree, Secretary for the Association.

BOX 14

1. Wayne County Medical Society Gift Record, 1911-1918
A list of gifts donated to the Society with the name of the donor.
2. Wayne County Medical Society, Michigan Health Exposition Scrapbook, November, 1922-June, 1923
Compiled as a permanent record of the Exposition for the historical files of the Wayne County Medical Society, the scrapbook contains correspondence, clippings, programs, subscriptions, reports and reviews together with a ten-page summary by Dr. Robert A.C. Wollenberg, written in 1941 as a letter donating the scrapbook to the Society's Library.

BOX 15

1. Wayne County Medical Society, Library Accession Book, October, 1910-April 19, 1911
2. Wayne County Medical Society, Library Accession Book, April 20, 1911-June, 1920
3. Wayne County Medical Society, Library Accession Book, June, 1920-December, 1922
Although these volumes contain no identification, internal evidence and a comparison of the handwriting in them with other Medical Society record books indicate that they are the accession records of the Wayne County Medical Society Library.

BOX 16

1. Scrapbook, Wayne County Medical Society, Scrapbook, 1898-1902
Apparently compiled by Secretary Walter Cree, the volume consists primarily of reprints of papers read before the Society between 1898-1902 and includes reports of the discussion of the papers and copies of printed announcements of future meetings. Pages twelve through fourteen contain newspaper clippings dealing with the Society's attempt to secure uniform national requirements for the licensing of physicians. Includes one folder of loose material from the scrapbook.

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2. Wayne County Medical Society War Bulletin, 1917-1919

BOX 17

1. Detroit College of Medicine Stockholders' Share Book, 1888-1913
2. Michigan College of Medicine and Surgery Student Index Book,
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