



QUICK GUIDE to the West Florida History Center & University Archives

John C. Pace Library, University of West Florida

Highlights: Largest research collection on West Florida in existence -- 2 million items (books, papers, photographs, manuscript) in 900 collections!

Purpose: To collect, preserve, and make available research materials about the West Florida region, its history, people, and development from earliest settlement to the present, including Spanish, British, and French rule. Special emphasis is also given to the ten counties of the Florida Panhandle. Serves as University Archives for UWF, preserving UWF history, student life, and campus events.

Types of Collections Available:

-  Family papers (letters, scrapbooks, diaries, genealogical records)
-  Business records (lumber companies, railroads, law firms)
-  Personal papers of prominent West Floridians including lawyers, entrepreneurs, legislators, artists, environmentalists, etc.
-  Oral histories (audiotape/videotape interviews)
-  Newspapers (1822 to present) published in West Florida
-  Magazines/publications/newsletters of organizations, churches, businesses, tourist industries, and others.
-  Books including histories, genealogies, city directories, publications of city, county, and state governments and agencies.
-  Maps (originals and reproductions, 1500s to present).
-  Photographs (30,000 items), 1850s to present.

The collections are open to any user upon registration. On-site visits as well as telephone calls, letters, and email are welcome. Donations and gifts of research materials welcomed.

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Web Address: <http://libguides.uwf.edu/universityarchives>

University Archives and West Florida History Center Collections
Determining what is available:

<https://uwf.edu/library/databases-and-collections/university-archives-and-west-florida-history-center/>

Collection Guide - lists the collections alphabetically by name:

Inventories - Available in the department as well as in ArchivesSpace

ArchivesSpace Portal - index to collection inventories, searchable
<http://uwf.lyrasistechology.org>

Islandora - digital materials
uwf.digital.flvc.org

Bibliography of West Florida

Index to published materials about West Florida, 1535-2024

Vols 1-4 (published covering 1535-1981) not available online

Vol. "5" (new finds and new additions after 1981)
researchgate.net look for "Bibliography of West Florida"

Be sure to check with department staff as there are many resources that are not yet in the online catalogs or are waiting to be cataloged. Any questions?? Call us or e-mail us (information on other side) and questions may also be sent to our Department email at: archives@uwf.edu

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