



Mortar Board, Sphinx Chapter Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University Archives and Historical Collections
Creator:	Mortar Board (Society). Sphinx Chapter
Source:	Michigan State University. Office of the Provost
Title:	Mortar Board, Sphinx Chapter records
ID:	UA.12.2.13
Date [inclusive]:	1943-1989
Physical Description:	2 Cubic Feet 1 folder and 8 scrapbooks
Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: "Item title, Collection title, Collection Identifier, Michigan State University Archives & Historical Collections, East Lansing, Michigan."

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Historical Note

Mortar Board is a National Honor Society that recognizes college seniors for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership, and service. The Michigan State University chapter, known as the Sphinx Chapter, is one of 200 Mortar Board groups established at different colleges and universities throughout the United States.

The Michigan State Chapter of Mortar Board was chartered in 1934. "Mortar Board was the first national organization honoring senior college women." (www.mortarboard.org/About/History/)

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Scope and Content

This collection consists of a 1965-1966 calendar, which was created and sold by Mortar Board, and a nomination form and letter from the 1984-1985 academic year. The publication *MSU Woman* featured articles on topics such as reproductive health, feminism, and the activities of women's groups at MSU. It was originally sponsored by Associated Women Students and Mortar Board.

The collection contains eight scrapbooks documenting Mortar Board's history. Included in the scrapbooks are newspaper clippings, lists of officers, photographs, and ephemera (e.g., programs, dance cards).

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- College students -- Michigan -- East Lansing
- Greek letter societies -- Michigan -- East Lansing
- Women college students -- Michigan -- East Lansing
- Scrapbooks
- Mortar Board (Society). Sphinx Chapter
- Michigan State University. Students. Societies, etc
- Michigan State University. Office of the Provost

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances
Miscellaneous, 1965-1966, 1984-1985	drawer F.D. folder 1
Scrapbooks	
Title/Description	Instances
1943	box 6740
1953-1954	box 6742
1953-1956	box 6741
1956-1957	box 6741
1958	box 6742
1960-1961	box 6743
1963-1967	box 6743
1980-1981	box 6740

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Serials

Title/Description	Instances
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#755: MSU Woman, 1970-1989

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