COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. DEPARTMENT OF ANATOMY & CELL BIOLOGY.
Records, 1894-1976 (bulk 1912-1921)
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HISTORICAL NOTE: Though anatomy was taught at Columbia’s College of Physicians and Surgeons from its founding in 1767, it only became a formally organized department in the late 19th century. In 1889 George S. Huntington, an 1884 graduate of P&S, was appointed the College’s first full-time professor of anatomy; he also served as the department’s first chairman (then called the “Executive Officer”) from c.1915 to 1924. The department’s name was changed to “Anatomy and Cell Biology” in 1983 and in 2004 it was merged with the Dept. of Pathology to form the Dept. of Pathology and Cell Biology.

SCOPE & CONTENT: Correspondence and some personnel records of the Department of Anatomy & Cell Biology of the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Columbia University, 1894-1976. The bulk of the material dates from 1912 to 1921, during the tenure of George S. Huntington as the department’s Executive Officer.

These records are clearly only a fragment of what must have originally existed. They consist almost entirely of George S. Huntington’s outgoing correspondence. The bulk is devoted to his professional activities, especially his work for The American Anatomical Memoirs and The American Journal of Anatomy. Relatively little relates to the operations of the department.

Other topics covered include the donation of the department’s museum of anatomical specimens to the U.S. Army Medical Museum in 1939; a list of volumes in Huntington’s library in the history of anatomy; and, biographical and bibliographical information on Huntington.

Among the persons with whom Huntington corresponded were Madison Grant, Milton J. Greenman, Aleš Hrdlička, Charles F. W. McClure, Franklin P. Mall, Charles R. Stockard, George L. Streeter, and C. Bowyer Vaux.

ORGANIZATION: Organized in two series: I. Correspondence/Subject Files; II. Personnel Files.

LANGUAGE: English.

ACCESS: Personnel files are restricted.

PROVENANCE: Transfer from Dept. of Anatomy and Cell Biology (acc. #1998.01.16)
SUBJECTS
Anatomy – Study and teaching.
Anatomical museums.
Columbia University. Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology.
Medical libraries.
Grant, Madison, 1865-1937.
Greenman, Milton J. (Milton Jay), 1866-1937.
Hrdlička, Aleš, 1869-1943.
Huntington, George S. (George Sumner), 1861-1927.
McClure, Charles F.W. (Charles Freeman Williams), 1865-
Mall, Franklin P. (Franklin Paine), 1862-1917.
Stockard, Charles R. (Charles Rupert), 1879-1939.
Streeter, George L. (George Linius), 1873-1948.
Vaux, C. Bowyer.
Columbia University. Department of Pathology and Cell Biology.
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16. Huntington Museum of Comparative Morphology: Correspondence re its donation to Army Medical Museum, 1927-1939
17. Huntington Museum of Comparative Morphology: Inventory, undated [1927?]
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22. McClure, Charles F.W., 1914-1921
23. Mall, Franklin P., 1915-1917
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26. Nursing School Lectures; schedule, Fall 1972
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28. Osborn, Henry Fairfield, 1912
30. Miscellaneous “S” correspondence, 1914-1922
31. Miscellaneous “S” correspondence, 1966-1975
32. Scholarships, Committee on Award of, P&S, 1921-1922
33. Stockard, Charles R., 1918-1921
34. Streeter, George L., 1918-1921
35. Miscellaneous “T” correspondence, 1918-1921
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