Normal School Student Portraits, New York State; Collections

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives  
Creator: State Normal School (Albany, N. Y.) - Students  
Title: New York State Normal School Student Portraits Collection  
ID: ua950.023  
Date [inclusive]: 1874-1889  
Physical Description: .9 cubic ft.  
Physical Location: All materials are located onsite in the Department.  
Language of the Material: English .  
Mixed Materials [Box]: 1 (State Normal School Photo Albums)  
Abstract: This collection holds several photo albums of students and faculty that were created by members of the State Normal School.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, The State Normal School Photo Albums, 1874-1889. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the State Normal School Photo Albums).

Biographical / Historical

During the time of the State Normal School's existence it was customary to create scrap books filled with photographs for departing faculty and students. Typically a photograph of the student or faculty member would be provided along with a note on the back intended for the recipient of the book. This collection holds a few examples of these early versions of the college yearbook that exist today.
Scope and Contents

This collection holds three photo albums complete with photos and notes from faculty and students, as well as a selection of loose cabinet cards of students from the class of 1889. The 1874 book was made from photos collected by Mina Williams, a former student, who presented it to the school on its 100th birthday. The 1885 book was created by the aunt of a student and presented to her on her graduation day. The 1888 album was created by staff of the school for a departing professor.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged in its original order.

Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

All items in this collection were transferred to the University Libraries, M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives.

**Processing Information**

Collection was processed in 2017 by Erik Stolarski

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**Controlled Access Headings**

- Photographs
- New York (N.Y.)--Photographs
- Photograph albums
- College yearbooks
- Universities and colleges--New York (State)--Faculty
- UAlbany Student Groups

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