Wallace, Edith Owen; Papers

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Summary Information

Repository:	M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title:	Edith Owen Wallace Papers
ID:	ua902.013
Date [inclusive]:	1918-1960
Physical Description:	2 cubic ft.
Physical Location:	The materials are located onsite in the department.
Language of the Material:	English , Latin .
Mixed Materials [Collection]:	X
Abstract:	This collection consists of the academic papers of Edith O. Wallace, a professor at the University between 1918 and 1965.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Edith Owen Wallace Papers, 1918-1960. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Wallace Papers).

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Biographical Sketch

Edith Owen Wallace was a faculty member and classics professor at the New York State College for Teachers, and the State University of New York at Albany for more than forty years. Born in Albany in 1896, Wallace attended the Milne School before received her B.A. from the New York State College for Teachers at Albany from 1913 to 1917. While at the State College for Teachers, Wallace was a founding member of Myskania. She later received an M.A. from Wellesley College and a Ph.D. from Columbia University. Wallace was hired by the college in 1918 as a Latin Instructor, a position she held until she was appointed as a professor in 1929, teaching courses in Greek, Latin and Comparative Literature. She continued to teach at the College and later University until her retirement in 1965.

During her time teaching in Albany, Wallace was a leader in the development of the College's M.A. in Latin program and the creation of the Department of Comparative Literature. She also served as Chair of the Department of Languages and Literature and as the Chair of the Division of Humanities during her time at the University. Wallace died in Albany in 1972. After Wallace's death, the Uptown campus' Humanities Building was renamed in her honor.

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Scope and Contents

This collection focuses on Wallace's writings as a student and as a professor, mostly related to her study of the Latin language. Collection includes Wallace's notebooks from her time as a college student, publications, manuscript typescripts, correspondence, press clippings, sheet music, photographic prints, and travel guides that Wallace retained.

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Arrangement

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

EAD Finding aid created 2019

Processing Information

Collection-level finding aid for collection completed in 2019 by Miles Lawlor. Most of the materials in the collection are in reused, unlabelled folders.

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