Robin Krawitz collection of Historic Preservation Records

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Scope and Content:
Robin Krawitz was a professor within the Historic Preservation master’s program and history department. In this capacity she collected the records of the program. The first series of the collection contains inspection reports for the historic DuPont colored school buildings. The inspections were conducted and researched by historic preservation students in 2013. Secondly, the collection contains student papers written for the partial completion of coursework or internship capstones. The papers were written for Professor Krawitz’s classes as well as courses taught by Dr. Samuel Hoff. Lastly, the final series of the collection is comprised of subject matter relating to Professor Krawitz’s work with the state of Delaware for the preservation of state buildings, an oral history program for alumni of Delaware State University, a review of the historic preservation program, a memorial at Mt. Zion Methodist church in Philadelphia, Mississippi for slain civil rights activists and others.

Biographical History:
The Masters of Historic Preservation degree program was founded in 2000 by Dr. Bradley Skelcher, history professor. At the time it was one of only two graduate programs of its kind at a Historically Black College and University. The program sought to place particular emphasis on the preservation of African American historic resources in the state of Delaware. When Dr. Skelcher was promoted to Associate provost in 2005 the program was in danger of being discontinued. However, Dr. Samuel Hoff served as the program director beginning in 2006 until 2012. At that time, Robin Krawitz became Director and served as the program’s only full time faculty member. In 2016 the Historic Preservation MA was one of 23 low-enrollment programs slated to be dropped. The students enrolled in the program at that time were allowed to complete their degrees before the program was terminated.

Arrangement:
This collection is comprised of three series: DuPont Schools, Student Work, and Subjects which were constructed based on the original order imposed by the collection’s creator. Within each series, the folders are ordered according to alphabetical order by subject or surname.
Box and Folder Listing:
Series I: DuPont Schools

Box 1:
Bethesda No. 113, 2013
Blackiston, 2013
Blanco, 2013
Booker T. Washington, 2013
Bridgeville, Phyllis Wheatley School 220C, 2013
Buttonwood, 2013
Christiana School 111C, 2013
Claymont, 2013
Delaware City School, 2013
Delaware State College Laboratory School, 2013
Drawbridge, 2013
Ebenezer, 2013
Ellendale, 2013
Frankford, G.W. Carver Educational Center, 2013
Friendship, 2013
Georgetown, Richard Allen School, 2013
Green Spring, 2013
Hockessin 107, 2013
Iron Hill School 112C, 2013
John Wesley, 2013
Kirkwood 115, 2013
Laurel, Dunbar, 2013
Lee’s Chapel 124, 2013
Lewes, 2013
Lockwood, 2013
Marshallton 108C, 2013
Matthew’s Chapel, 2013
Middleford 219C, 2013
Middletown 120, 2013
Mt. Olive, 2013
Mt. Pleasant 119, 2013
Nassau, 2013

Box 2:
New Castle School 109C, 2013
Newport, 2013
Newark School 110C, 2013
Odessa, 2013
Owen’s corner C213, 2013
Parker’s Chapel, 2013
Paul L. Dunbar, Caesar Rodney 2013
Port Penn 122, 2013
Rabbits Ferry, 2013
Rehoboth, 2013
Rehoboth primary school annex, 2013
St. Georges, 2013
Seaford, Frederick Douglas, 2013
Selbyville, 2013
Slaughter Neck, 2013
Series II: Student Work
Box 3:

- Cathey, Jessie – Graduate internship paper, February 25, 2014
- Czerwinski, Eric S. – Air mobility command museum internship, November 1, 2014
- Czerwinski, Eric – Housing the influx of military families assigned to Dover, May 2014
- Hall, Carlton A. – New Castle Court House Interhsip: Delaware’s United States, n.d.
- Hewett, Jennifer – American Historic Contexts since 1865, May 10, 2014
- Hewett, Jennifer L. – National Register of Historic places nomination of April 15, 2016
- Johnson, LaSara, 2013
- Knapp, Rochelle S. – New England and the Underground Railroad: A Journey from slavery to freedom, December 3, 2005
- Lv, Jing – Higher Education reform, economy, and political policies internship paper, May 14, 2016
- Lv, Jing – Miscellaneous, 2015, n.d.
- McCall, Juaquetta C. – Barratt’s chapel and museum internship paper, December 5, 2017
- Miles, Marilyn – History on the Hill: A study in preservation, the Ellicott City Colored School restored, Inc. August 20, 2007
- Miles, Marilyn – The underground railroad in Michigan, New Jersey, Ohio and Wisconsin, December 3, 2005
- Ovadek, Katherine – Cracker Country internship paper, April 19, 2012
- Penick, Dominique – Civilian pilot training program at Delaware State University internship paper, December 31, 2014
- Penick, Dominique – DuPont Schools, 2013
- Penny, Naomi – internship project plan, Fall 2016
- Schulte, James T. – Indiana and Illinois: The underground railroad, Fall 2005

Box 4:

- Sullivan, Rhonda E. – Hotel Matz internship proposal, January 2014
- Sullivan, Rhonda – Pierra S. DuPont Colored Schools Delaware, 2013
- Wilson, Mary Ellen – Historic Data section of the historic structure report for Mt. Salem United Methodist Church New Castle, Delaware April 26, 2017
Series III: Subjects

Audio recordings of classes about oral histories [CD-rom], 2013, 2014
Cannon Hall preservation case information, 2010
Delaware school buildings built by DuPont, photographs [CD-rom], 2013
The Delaware State University Quad CRS forms, 2011
Delaware Statewide preservation plan, 2012
Goodman, Chaney and Schwerner memorial event photographs [CD-rom], 2014
Hamilton, Calvin Pazavia article – DSU architect, n.d.
Historic preservation program review, May 1, 2015
Krawitz, Robin presenting this history of Mt. Zion Methodist Church in Philadelphia Mississippi [CD-rom], 2015
Mitchell, Jerry Filmed preservation [CD-rom], 2014
The National Council for Preservation Education membership for the DSU Graduate program in historic preservation, October 29, 2010
Oral history notes, n.d.
Oral history participant release statements, 2013-2014
Oral history promotional video [CD-rom], 2015
PowerPoint presentations on preservation law by John Nivah and Ross Bradford [CD-rom], March 28, 2012
Unknown DSU events and historic site visits photographs [CD-rom], 2015
Wildcat Maner, c. 2007-2012

Colophon: The collection was received at the time of R. Krawitz’s retirement from DSU in May 2019. The materials were processed by R. Scherry in July 2019. The series comprising the collection correspond to the original order imposed by R. Krawitz, the creator.