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W. DONALD ALBRIGHT

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Biography

Wilbur Donald Albright, who was an administrator at the Sacramento and Fresno campuses of the California State College system (now the California State University system), was born in 1916 in Macon County, Missouri. In 1938, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Northeast Missouri State Teacher’s College. In 1947, he earned a Master of Education degree from the University of Missouri. In 1953, he received a Doctorate in Education from Columbia University.

Albright became the Director of Admissions at Sacramento State College in 1952. He retained that position until 1958, when he was appointed Dean of Students at Fresno State College. Albright served in this position until 1970, when he was reassigned to the Office of Counseling as the Coordinator of Services for Older Adults. He retired in 1982.

Albright has a wife, Joyce, and two children, Stephen and Susan.

Scope and Content Note

The W. Donald Albright papers measure 1.5 linear feet and date from 1961 to 1974, 2001 and undated. The collection is arranged in three series: Campus unrest, Faculty and students, and Professional.

The Campus unrest series (1964-1971, 2001 and undated) contains information regarding the campus unrest that took place during the 1960s. It is primarily concerned with the unrest that occurred on the Fresno State College campus while Albright served as Dean of Students. It also contains information about unrest on other campuses and general articles and reports. The chronology contained in this series was created by Albright in 2001 and reflects the incidents that took place while he acted as the Dean of Students.

The Faculty and students series (1961-1973 and undated) includes information relevant to the faculty and students at Fresno State College. There is detailed information pertaining to minority issues, including campus programs, student organizations, reports and activities. There is also information about financial aid, the Student Personnel Services, and rights and responsibilities.

The Professional series (1966-1974, 2001 and undated) contains information regarding Albright’s position as the dean of students and within the Office of Counseling.

The Dean of Students subseries includes documents pertaining to Albright’s service as the Dean of Students. The photographs contained within this section illustrate Albright while making public appearances. The speech was made after Albright retired and contains
information about his time as the Dean of Students.

The Office of Counseling subseries is primarily composed of correspondence between Albright and the academic community while he was the Coordinator of Services for Older Adults.

**Related Collections**

Frederic W. Ness Papers
Contains information on Ness’s presidency, including the Marvin X and Robert Mezey incidents. There is also a report that Ness wrote while on leave from Fresno State College titled *Student Unrest in Great Britain* (1969). See Box 2, Professional; Fresno State presidency and Box 2, Professional; Reports.

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Marvin X television statements, October 1969 (1/4” reel to reel)

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