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Summary Information

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Historical Note

Instruction in the principles of civil and military architecture for the Senior Class appears in the Columbia College Statutes as early as 1836, but the establishment of a professional school of architecture would have to wait a few years. William Robert Ware, who established the first school of architecture in this country at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1865, organized the initial courses in architecture at Columbia College in 1881 and within the School of Mines. In 1902, the School of Architecture became its own independent unit in the University.

The formation of an association of the alumni of architecture dates back to a circular letter of information from Professor Talbot Hamlin sent in December 1903 to its graduates and former students. At a meeting on April 25, 1904, the Society of Columbia University Architects came into existence. In 1911, the name was changed to the Alumni Association of the School of Architecture of Columbia University. Every year, the Alumni Association gave out a medal for excellence in design and other endowed prizes.

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Summary

This collection consists of the by-laws, correspondence and meeting minutes of the Alumni Association of the School of Architecture.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in one series.

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Additional architecture alumni materials can be found in the [Historical subject files \(UA#0002\)](#). Materials related to the early days of the School of Architecture can be found in the [Graduate School of Architecture and Planning records, 1890-1963](#) at the Avery Drawings & Archives. There is also a small collection of [Graduate School of Architecture Planning and Preservation records](#) at the University Archives.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Columbia University. School of Architecture -- : Alumni and alumnae

Collection Inventory

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Annual Dinner, 1905-1913	box 1	folder 1
Board of Governors Meeting Minutes, 1904-1917	box 1	folder 2
By-Laws, 1904-1908	box 1	folder 3
Change of Name, 1911-1913	box 1	folder 4
Scope and Contents		
From the "Society of Columbia University Architects" to the "Alumni Association of the School of Architecture of Columbia University"		
Committee on Education, 1908-1915	box 1	folder 5
Committee Reports, 1903-1916	box 1	folder 6
Correspondence, 1904-1909	box 1	folder 7
Correspondence, 1904-1909	box 2	folder 1
Correspondence, 1910	box 2	folder 2
Correspondence, 1910-1917	box 2	folder 3
Design for Seal, 1904-1917	box 2	folder 4
Donated Materials, 1898-1943	box 2	folder 5
Meeting Minutes, 1903-1911	box 2	folder 6
Meeting Minutes, 1912-1916	box 2	folder 7
Rosters and Member Information, 1904-1913	box 2	folder 8
Treasurer's Records, 1908-1916	box 2	folder 9

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