Guide to the Thomas Clap, President of Yale College, Records

RU 130

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: RU 130

CREATOR: Yale College (1718-1887). President’s Office

TITLE: Thomas Clap, president of Yale College, records

DATES: 1720–1765

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.08 linear feet (2 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The records consist of correspondence, memoirs, notes, observations, and other writings of Thomas Clap concerning Yale College.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research.

Preferred Citation

Thomas Clap, President of Yale College, Records (RU 130). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.
Processing Information
Yale University records are arranged and described at the accession level by the creating office. The University Archives creates collection level descriptive records, but typically does no further arrangement and description at the accession level.

Biographical / Historical
Thomas Clap served as president of Yale College from 1740 to 1766.

Scope and Contents
The records consist of correspondence, memoirs, notes, observations, and other writings of Thomas Clap concerning Yale College.

General note
Forms part of Yale Record Group 2-A (YRG 2-A), Records of the Yale president’s office.

Arrangement
The records are arranged chronologically.
### Collection Contents

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Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects
College presidents
Educators
Universities and colleges -- Administration

Corporate Bodies
Yale College (1718-1887) -- Administration
Yale College (1718-1887) -- Presidents
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