HISTORICAL NOTE
The Medical University of South Carolina opened its first session on November 8, 1824. In November 1974, the Medical University of South Carolina held their Sesquicentennial celebration honoring the 150th anniversary of the founding of the college. The Sesquicentennial celebration included many events and activities centered on the advancements of the past 150 years, with events taking place in 1974 and 1975. An executive committee oversaw the event and was chaired by Joseph I. Waring, and included W. Curtis Worthington, Jr., Curtis P. Artz, H. Rawling Pratt-Thomas, Charles B. Gudaitis, and Stephen P. Dittman. The committee planned for events and activities, helped gain publicity for the university, and kept logs of expenses and other pertinent information relating to the Sesquicentennial from 1971 to 1975.

SCOPE AND CONTENT
The MUSC Sesquicentennial Celebration Records, consists of 21 folders of event planning, 1971-1975 (one item from 1988), arranged alphabetically. The folders consist of handwritten, textual, printed, and photographic documentation of the planning and celebration of the Sesquicentennial events. The folders include information on the commemorative medallions, the logo for the Sesquicentennial, and the gallery show event held at the Gibbes Museum of Art. Committee files are included, those being for the Executive Committee with meeting and planning information and for other miscellaneous committee material. There are also folders containing publicity, the short film script, expenses from events and items sold, an “Historical Sketch of MUSC” by J. Waring for the Journal of the South Carolina Medical Association; as well as a copy of the commencement address, reviews on the commemorative book, rough copy and reprint of Dr. Waring’s Sesquicentennial article for the Southern Medical Journal, and founder’s day and time capsule information. Also included are printed event programs, schedules, activities, and reports for events, citations of merit for people involved with the Sesquicentennial,
and texts of talks given at the Sesquicentennial dinner May 9, 1975. Miscellaneous items include a personal letter to Dr. Waring, a letter from W.C. Worthington, Jr. to Dr. Dodendorf, and list of items for a scrapbook.

CITATION FORM: MUSC Sesquicentennial Celebration Records, ARC 806, Waring Historical Library, MUSC, Charleston, SC.

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