



Collection #: MSS 922
Name: Elsie Taber, PhD Papers
Dates: 1911-2000
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Biographical Note/Organizational History: Elsie Taber was born in Columbia, South Carolina in 1915. After completing her PhD in Zoology at the University of Chicago, she went on to become the first full-time female faculty member at the Medical College of South Carolina. Dr. Taber joined the faculty of MCSC in 1948 as an assistant professor of Anatomy. After becoming a full professor in 1965, she became professor emeritus in 1980. Dr. Taber published numerous articles in her field, and is credited with being one of the people responsible for improving the mission of MCSC. Dr. Taber's achievements include an Honorary Degree from MUSC, an Outstanding Alumnus Award from the University of South Carolina, and the Golden Apple Award for teaching. Her portrait hangs in the MUSC Department of Anatomy. Dr. Taber died on September 5, 2000.

Scope and Content Note: The Elsie Taber, PhD Papers (1.025 cft. 1911-2000), document her professional activities at MCSC/MUSC. The original order of the collection has been altered for organizational purposes. The collection is arranged in four series: Curriculum, Lectures, Original Works, and Personal Interests.

Curriculum, 1969-1974, .15cft. : This series contains Dr. Taber's materials relating to the curriculum at the Medical College of South Carolina. It

includes talks and memos relating to Dr. Taber's administrative duties concerning the MUSC curriculum.

Lectures, 1958-1980, .5 cft.: This series consists of Dr. Taber's lecture notes, on topics ranging from embryology to genetics. The series also includes transparencies.

Original Works, 1960-1987, .2 cft.: This series contains original works by Dr. Taber, including illustrations, transparencies, and manuscripts of articles authored or co-authored by Dr. Taber.

Personal Interests, 1922-1980, .15 cft. : This series is comprised of materials that reflect Dr. Taber's personal interests in subjects such as the Bible and insulin research. Reprints of articles not authored by Dr. Taber are also included in this series.

Reprints of Dr. Taber's articles have been cataloged separately.

Subject Headings:

Taber, Elsie (1915-2000)

Anatomy

Embryology

Faculty, Medical-history-South Carolina

Medical University of South Carolina

Women in medicine—South Carolina.

Women medical scientists—South Carolina.

Inventory:

Folder 1: Curriculum, 1974 and no date, 22 items

Folder 2: Second Faculty Conference on Curriculum, 1969, 1 item

Folder 3: Development of GI System, no date, 5 items

Folder 4: Development of Nervous System, 1975-1980, no date, 23 items

Folder 5: Development of Reproductive Systems, 1984 and no date, 17 items

Folder 6: Development of Urinary System, 1980 and no date, 12 items

Folder 7: Development of Veins, no date, 12 items

Folder 8: Early Development, 1976-1977, 1981 and no date, 10 items

Folder 9: Embryology, 1958-1959, 3 items

Folder 10: Embryology Lectures, 1948, 4 items

Folder 11: Embryology/Reproductive System, no date, 19 items

- Folder 12:** Female Reproductive System, no date, 10 items
- Folder 13:** Genetics Lectures, 1979 and no date, 20 items
- Folder 14:** Genetics: Originals, 1978 and no date, 6 items
- Folder 15:** Reproduction: Pregnancy and Placenta, no date, 9 items
- Folder 16:** Illustrations, 1973, 1987 and no date, 13 items (see also
Oversize)
- Folder 17:** Manuscripts, no date, 6 items
- Folder 18:** Manuscripts, 1965 and no date, 8 items
- Folder 19:** Talks, etc., 1965 and no date, 13 items
- Folder 20:** Transparencies, no date, 2 items
- Folder 21:** Bible, 1950, 1 item
- Folder 22:** Experimental, 1954 and no date, 7 items
- Folder 23:** Miscellaneous Insulin, Banting and Scott, 1911-1980, 9 items
- Folder 24:** Reprints: Other Authors, 1922-1948, 11 items
- Oversize:** Illustrations, no date, 12 items