

Guide to the AAR Wesleyan Studies Group Records 1988- 2009



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The purpose of this finding aid is to help you understand the nature of this collection and to assist you in the retrieval of material from this collection. The following pages contain a brief biographical history of the person, or persons, who created or collected these papers, followed by a general description of the collection in the scope and content note. If more detailed information is warranted then series descriptions also appear. The container listing appears last and is the listing of material in each box, or container, of this collection.

To request material you need to turn to the container listing section. It is essentially a listing of file folders, or artifact items, in the collection. Each folder, or item, has a call number associated with it. Each folder also lists the inclusive dates of the material in the folder. On the material request form list both the call number and the folder, or item, title. Use a different line for each folder, or item, requested. When your request sheet is complete, or full, bring it to the archivist and the material will be retrieved.

History Note

The beginning of the Wesleyan Studies Group (WSG) lie in a roundtable discussion of a paper by Ted Runyon at the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting in 1982. The response to this roundtable led to an approval by the AAR Program Committee for a Consultation on Wesleyan Studies at the 1983 meeting. The quality and quantity of participation by AAR members in this Consultation session led to a proposal for the establishment of the WSG as a regular working group to be renewed in five year segments

WSG's purpose is to seek and promote the critical understanding and appropriation of Wesleyan traditions by understanding the term in the broader Methodist family. The group is to embrace and encourage not only historical and sociological studies but also theological reflection, critique, and extension. As an ecumenically focused group, it is not the property of a single denominational group but serves as a place for Wesleyan scholars to pursue academic concerns and interests.

Scope Note

The records document the administrative arm of the Wesleyan Studies Group with an emphasis on planning for meetings. Files range from the periodic reauthorization of WSG as a recognized group within the American Academy of Religion to program reports to membership lists. The strength of the collection revolves around presenters of papers with their respective proposals. Topics are broad in nature and cover the entire Wesleyan historical-theological spectrum.

Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. The collection is arranged chronologically by year.

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding this collection. Copyright still owned by Drew. Permissions to publish must be directed to Drew.

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Subject Terms

Subject Topics

Church and education
Church history
Holiness movement.
Sociology
Theology

Subject Geographic

United States.

Genre

Agendas
Correspondence
Manuscripts
Memorandums
Proposals.
Reports
Surveys



Container List

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
2132-3-3:1	WSG - Five Year Renewal (Guidelines for Renewal Process)	1988-2008
2132-3-3:2	WSG Annual Meeting	1988
2132-3-3:3	WSG Annual Meeting	1989
2132-3-3:4	WSG Annual Meeting	1992
2132-3-3:5	WSG Reports to AAR	1993
2132-3-3:6	WSG Annual Meeting	1994
2132-3-3:7	WSG Annual Meeting	1995
2132-3-3:8	WSG Annual Meeting	1996
2132-3-3:9	WSG Annual Meeting	1997
2132-3-3:10	WSG Annual Meeting	1998
2132-3-3:11	WSG Annual Meeting	1999
2132-3-3:12	AAR/SBL Wesley Studies Seminar	1999
2132-3-3:13	WSG Annual Meeting	2000
2132-3-3:14	WSG Annual Meeting	2001
2132-3-4:1	WSG Annual Meeting	2009
2132-3-4:2	History of Program Sessions 1981-2009	2009

