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Guide to the Army Specialized Training Program Records, 1943-1946

Title

Army Specialized Training Program Records (RG 059)

Dates

1943-1946 (inclusive)

Creator

Army Specialized Training Program (U.S.)

Summary

The Army Specialized Training Program Records document this World War II training program at Oregon State College. The records include time certificates and payrolls, budgets and expense accounts, and limited correspondence about the general administration of the program.

Quantity

2 microfilm reels

Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

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Historical Note

Unit 3900 of the Army Specialized Training Program (ASTP) was established by the War Department at Oregon State College in March 1943. The program provided training for high grade technicians and specialists needed by the Army for the war effort. Most of the instruction was provided by regular Oregon State College faculty; E.B. Lemon, as Dean of Administration, was Coordinator of the ASTP for Oregon State. Enrollment peaked in the summer of 1943 with more than 1300 ASTP students at Oregon State College.

Arrangement

The records consist of three series: I. Time Certificates and Payrolls, 1944-1946; II. Budgets and Expense Accounts, 1943-1944; and III. Publication, 1943.

Content Description

The Army Specialized Training Program Records document the U.S. Army's training program at Oregon State College during World War II. The bulk of the records are time certificates and payrolls and provide detailed information about the role of Oregon State College faculty as instructors in the program. The budgets and expense records include some correspondence pertaining to general administration of the program. Series III consists of a 1943 publication, *Essential Facts about the Army Specialized Training Program*.

Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Information

The records were acquired in the early-mid 1960s and microfilmed in 1967.

Related Material

Additional materials pertaining to the Army Specialized Training Program are part of the [College of Science \(RG 024\)](#) and [College of Engineering \(RG 062\)](#) Records. Photographs of the Army Specialized Training Program are available in Harriet's Collection and the Clair Van Norman Papers. The Archives includes several collections documenting military training at Oregon State, including the [Reserve Officer Training Corps \(ROTC\) Records \(RG 058\)](#), the [Air Force ROTC Motion Pictures Films \(FV P 056\)](#), and the Students Army Training Program (RG 060).

Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the OSU Libraries Catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog (<http://oasis.oregonstate.edu>) using these headings.

Organizations

Oregon State College--Faculty.

Topics

Military education--Oregon--Corvallis.
World War, 1939-1945--War work--Schools.

Other Creators

Lemon, E. B. (Erwin Bertran), 1889-1979.