



## Guide to the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering Records

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)
<b>Title:</b>	Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering Records
<b>ID:</b>	UA-00004
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	approximately 1968 to 2024
<b>Physical Description:</b>	3.13 Cubic Feet (5 boxes)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2.87 Linear Feet
<b>Storage Location:</b>	Some of these materials are stored in the Lied Automated Storage and Retrieval Unit (LASR). Advanced notice is required to access these materials.
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering Records contain materials dating from approximately 1968 to 2024 that document the establishment of the School of Engineering and later the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering School. Materials include records of the Nevada Development Authority Partners for Industry through Engineering and Education (PiE2) program during the 1980s that was headed by Bob Gore of Summa Corporation (formerly known as the Howard Hughes Corporation). Collection records also include samples of class listings, phone directories, degree information, college rules and bylaws, and fact sheets and brochures for different engineering degree programs at UNLV. Materials also include accreditation questionnaires from 1989, 1990, and 1992. Also included are promotional brochures and pamphlets for the school from 2015 to 2017.

### Preferred Citation

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## Historical Background

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UNLV's School of Engineering was formally established in 1976 as a part of the College of Science. Throughout the 1980s the University of Nevada Board of Regents approved several new undergraduate and graduate degree programs for the School of Engineering including civil engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, and mechanical engineering. The Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering was formed in 1988 and in 1989 the Thomas T. Beam Engineering Complex was completed giving the college's programs a single multidisciplinary space.

Doctoral programs became available in all four academic departments of the College of Engineering in 1990 and the Science and Engineering Building opened in 2009. As of 2022, the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering is home to several research centers and laboratories including the Applied Geophysics Center, Center for Energy Research (CER), Center for Information Technology and Algorithms, Center for Materials and Structures, Center for Mechanical and Environmental Systems Technology, Energy Materials Interaction Technology Initiative of Nevada, Nevada Center for Advanced Computation Methods (NCACM), Nevada Nanotechnology Center, and the Nevada University Transportation Center.

Sources:

"History of the College," Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering, Accessed September 2, 2022. <https://www.unlv.edu/engineering/history>.

Moehring, Eugene P. *The University of Nevada, Las Vegas : a History*. Reno, Nev.: University of Nevada Press, 2007.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were transferred intermittently over the years from the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering; accession numbers 2017-059, 2022-075.

### Processing Note

In 2018, Tammi Kim minimally processed the collection and created the finding aid in ArchivesSpace. In 2022, Tammi Kim processed the 2022 addition and updated the finding aid. In 2026, after reviewing miscellaneous donated materials, Landon Paljusaj added one item to the collection and updated the finding aid.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Engineering
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History
- Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering (University of Nevada, Las Vegas)

## Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Thomas T. Beam Engineering complex information; degree program information; general marketing materials for College of Engineering; miscellaneous reports; commencement activities; Beam complex construction planning photographs, renderings, and dedication ceremony scrapbook, approximately 1968 to 1989	box 01 box 04 box 05
Nevada Development Authority PiE2 project correspondence, clippings, information; accreditation self-student questionnaires, approximately 1980-1990	box 02
Engineering advisory council minutes and administrative papers (1982-1986); program information fact sheets, senior design competition program, career handbook (2015-2017), approximately 1982-1986, 2015-2017	box 03
Information Science Research Institute and College of Engineering symposium reports, 1992 to 1994	box 04
College of Engineering annual bibliography, 1990 to 1991	box 04
College rules and bylaws, 1992	box 04
Thomas T. Beam Engineering Complex information booklet, approximately 1991	box 04
College of Engineering phone directories, 1991 to 1993	box 04
Questionnaire for Review of B.S. in Computer Science accreditation, Volumes I and II, 1992 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 04
Graduate program in electrical engineering information, 1994	box 04
College of Engineering calendar, 2005 to 2006	box 04
Publications detailing the planning and design of the Advanced Engineering Building (AEB), approximately 2016 to 2024	box 04