

Directory of History of Medicine Collections

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Abstract: The University of Illinois at Chicago Library of Health Sciences-Chicago Special Collections Department houses rare books, archives, and major historical materials, including pre-fire Chicago imprints (prior to 1871), related to the history of the health sciences. The department also houses the records of the University Archives related to the health science fields and the University of Illinois at the Medical Center prior to its merge into the University of Illinois at Chicago. Many of the materials focus on the development of the health sciences in Chicago and the Midwest. The Special Collections Department is open to the public and provides reference, photocopying, and photographic reproduction services.

Holdings: The special strengths of the department are neurology, urology, pharmacopoeias, formularies, dermatology, history of medicine, and early anatomies and herbals. There are printed catalogs for the Percival Bailey Collection in Neurology, the Joseph Keifer Collection in Urology and the History of Medicine, the Dental Collection, and Chicago Pre-Fire Imprints. The department also has the records of the Cook County School of Nursing and the Illinois Training School for Nurses Collection. There are approximately 23,000 volumes of mostly pre-1930 monographs and pre-1900 journals and over 5,000 linear feet of archives, in addition to photographs, slides, and realia. Some highlights of the collection include: History of Medicine Pamphlet File, Records of the 27th Evacuation Hospital (WWII), and Antique Sinhalese olas.

Collection Subject Strengths: History of Anatomy; History of Botany; History of Dermatology; History of Homeopathy; History of Hospitals; History of Medicine; History of Neurology; History of Nursing; History of Pharmacology and Pharmacy; History of Urology

Other Collection Subject Strengths:

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