The Wellesley College Archives was established to document the history of the College and the people who were associated with it.

As part of that effort we collect materials that give some idea of what it was like to be a student at Wellesley College. Such things as series of letters students wrote home; memory books or scrapbooks documenting an alumna’s time at the College; photographs (either individual photos or photo albums) of Wellesley people, events or scenes; letters or notes from teachers or College officials; programs or notices of events; records of College organizations (minutes, constitutions, programs of events the group sponsored); syllabi, exams, papers written for or notes taken in Wellesley courses—in short anything which would help show what the student was doing or thinking—are useful.

We keep scrapbooks and albums as units, so please do not dismantle them. If what you have are loose sheets of paper, it is not necessary to put them in a scrapbook; in fact, it is better if you do not do so.

It is often helpful if donors describe the kinds of things they have, and give us some idea of how many items there are. We do not need an itemized list, just a general sense of what there is. That helps us determine which of the papers would be appropriate for our collection.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call [781-283-2128]. Or you can email the Archivist, Jane Callahan, at archives@wellesley.edu. We will be happy to give any assistance we can.

Materials can be sent to Wellesley College Archives, 106 Central Street, Margaret Clapp Library, Wellesley MA 02481