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Descriptive Summary

Repository: Lamar Soutter Library, Office of Medical History and Archives
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Identification: SC 7

Creator: Samuel Thompson

Title: Samuel Thompson Papers

Date(s): 1974 - 1982

Quantity: 3 record cartons, approximately 3 linear feet

Abstract:

The Samuel Thompson Papers chronicle the career of Samuel Thompson, Ph.D., Associate Vice Chancellor for Community Relations, Planning and Development and Associate Dean for Administration and Finance at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Access Restrictions: Access to most material in the collection is unrestricted. Access to restricted materials is by permission of the Archivist and can be requested by completing a Restricted Records Access Request form.

Preferred Citation: The proper citation format for any item from this collection is:

Samuel Thompson Papers, University of Massachusetts Medical School Archives, Lamar Soutter Library, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Processing Information: This collection was processed by Kristine M. Reinhard in 2013. The collection was re-folded and the original folder titles and arrangement of material within each folder were retained.
Biographical Note:

Samuel Thompson, the first Associate Vice Chancellor for Community Relations, Planning, and Development at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, was born November 12, 1931. He served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army from 1953 to 1955 and was honorably discharged. He and his wife, Jean Deane, had two children; Carletta and Gregory. Thompson graduated from Virginia State College in 1953 and earned a Master of Social Services degree from the Graduate School of Public Administration and Social Services at New York University in 1959. In 1966 he earned a Ph.D. in City and Regional Planning from Harvard University.

Thompson was a Technical Records Clerk at the American Broadcasting Company in New York City, New York from 1955 to 1957, a Group Worker at Youth House for Boys in Bronx, New York from 1957 to 1959, and the Housing and Industrial Relations Director of the Urban League of Westchester County, White Plains, New York from September 1959 to August 1961. From 1962 to 1968 Thompson was Project Director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority and was Deputy Administrator of the Boston Model City Administration from 1968 to 1973. He was Administrator of the Boston Housing Authority from 1973 until he joined the University of Massachusetts Medical School in 1977 as Associate Vice Chancellor for Community Relations, Planning, and Development. In this role Thompson was responsible for fostering relationships between the University, city and county officials, and community groups. He also held a leadership role in development matters of the school by establishing and working with foundations, businesses, and individuals. Additionally, Thompson was responsible for implementing the school’s long-range plans for education and health care programs.

Thompson also held a faculty appointment in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and was Associate Dean for Administration and Finance, Associate Provost, and Registrar. In these roles, Thompson was responsible for internal financial matters, oversaw building renovations, and helped to develop the Learning Contract under which medical students can defer a portion of their tuition in exchange for service in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. He retired from the University of Massachusetts Medical School in 1992.

Thompson was a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Beta Gamma Lambda Chapter and the U. S. Chess Federation. He died July 30, 2012.

Scope and Content: This collection contains correspondence, reports, architectural drawings, publications, policies, notes, forms, budget materials, financial reports, and other material related to Samuel Thompson’s career as Associate Vice Chancellor for Community Relations, Planning, and Development and Associate Dean for Administration and Finance at the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Series in the Collection: The collection is arranged in twelve series according to Thompson’s original folder titles. The series in the collection are as follows:

- Series I: Budgets and Grants (Box 1: Folders 1-10)
- Series II: Reports and Studies (Box 1: Folders 11-20)
- Series III: Policies, Handbooks, Manuals (Box 1: Folders 21-23)
- Series IV: Writings (Box 1: Folders 24-25)
- Series V: Chancellor’s Fund (Box 2: Folders 1 – 52)
Series I: Budgets and Grants (Folders 1-10)

Scope and Content: This series consists of correspondence, reports, proposals, budget information.

1. Massachusetts Hospital One and Five Year Plan, FY 1978-1982
2. Grant Proposal - Department of Psychiatry-Worcester Area Community Health Center, 1978
3. Grant Application - Unit for the Study of Aging, 1978
4. Summary Maintenance Budget Request, FY 1979
5. Summary Operating Budget, FY 1979
6. Psychiatry Budget - Preliminary, FY 1980
7. Summary Maintenance Budget Request, FY 1980
8. Summary Maintenance Budget Request, FY 1981
10. Maintenance Budget Request, FY 1982

Series II: Reports and Studies (Folders 11-20)

Scope and Content: This series is composed of correspondence, reports, and proposals.

12. Car Parking Study for University of Massachusetts Medical School Campus, 1975
13. Interim Statement from the Commission on Public-General Hospitals, 1977
15. Proposal - Area Wide Transportation Study and Environmental Overview, 1977
17. University of Massachusetts Medical School Group Practice- IRS Protest, 1978
20. Use or Disposal of the Endocrine Clinic, 1979
**Series III: Policies, Handbooks, Manuals (Folders 21-23)**

*Scope and Content:* This series consists of formal policies and a manual.

21. Graduate Student Housing Policy, 1974
22. Academic Personnel Policy, 1976

**Series IV: Writings (Folders 24-25)**

*Scope and Content:* This series consists of biographical essays and handwritten notes written by Samuel Thompson.


**BOX 2**

**Series V: Chancellor’s Fund (Folders 1-52)**

*Scope and Content:* This series contains correspondence, reports, and internal financial forms relating to the Chancellor’s Fund.

3. Emergency Loan Fund, 1980
5. Account: Appointment of Microbiology Instructors, 1980
7. Account: Microbiology Renovations, 1980
10. Account: Executive Council Expenses, 1980
11. Account: Loan for Pioneer Valley AHEC, 1980
34. Account: Hospital Patient Accounting Position, 1981
39. Account: Partial Funding Assistant Director of Fiscal Affairs, 1981
40. Account: Tom Ferguson-Partial Funding Fiscal Staff, 1981
42. Account: Pathology-Woda Consultant Services, 1981
44. Account: Anesthesia-L. Mather, PhD.-Salary Support, 1981
46. Policy Guidelines and Agreements, 1980
47. Funding Requests, 1980
49. Reports-Expenditures and Balances, 1978-1982
51. Notes
52. Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1980-1981

Turek, John to Smith, Dr.
Series VI: Capitation Grant (Folders 53-58)

Scope and Content: This series contains correspondence, meeting minutes, reports, and financial forms relating to a Capitation Grant from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.
Series VII: Renovations (Folders 59-64)

Scope and Content: This series contains correspondence, forms, invoices, estimates, and proposals, relative to renovations of the Biochemistry Department.

60. 1980-1981
61. 1981-1982
62. 1981-1982
63. 1982
64. 1982

BOX 3

Series VIII: Day Care Center (Folders 1-7)

Scope and Content: This series is composed of correspondence, proposals, policies, by-laws, architectural drawings and financial documents pertaining to the University of Massachusetts Medical Center Day Care Center.

1. 1978-1979
2. 1979-1980
3. 1979-1981
4. 1979-1981
5. 1980
6. 1980
7. 1981-1982

Series IX: Legislative (Folders 8-10)

Scope and Content: This series contains correspondence and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives legislative materials relating to public health, student loans, and residency requirements for admission to the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

8. 1976-1981
10. 1981
**Series X: Publications (Folders 11-25)**

*Scope and Content:* This series consists of reports from other academic institutions, brochures, articles, excerpts from publications, and books.

12. Report: Rush-Presbyterian-St. Lukes Medical Center- Stewardship Report, 1977
17. Report: University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, 1977-1979
18. Brochures:
   - Master of Public Health Degree Program-Collaborative Program-University of Massachusetts Amherst and University of Massachusetts Medical School
   - Commonwealth of Massachusetts Retirement Facts
20. Articles:
   - *Some Aims of a New Medical School*, Souther, Lamar, n.d.
22. Excerpt from *Five Patients-The Hospital Explained*, Crichton, Michael, 1970
23. Excerpt from UMass Medical School catalog: forward by Roger J. Bulger, M.D., Chancellor/Dean
25. Book: *Built to Last*, Massachusetts Department of Community Affairs, 1977

**Series XI: Correspondence and Announcements (Folder 26)**

*Scope and Content:* This series contains one folder of miscellaneous correspondence and an announcement. The correspondents are listed below.

26. To President Wood from Gordon L. Brigham, Senior University Planner, July 14, 1976
27. To Faculty, Students, Alumni and Friends of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center from Roger J. Bulger, M.D., Chancellor/Dean, June 9, 1978

**Series XII: Learning Contract (Folders 27-36)**

*Scope and Content:* The bulk of this series comprises correspondence, reports, proposals, drafts, forms, articles, and procedures relating to the Learning Contract legislated under Chapter 363A item 7411-1005 of the Acts of 1977 and effective for students beginning in the Fall of 1978. Some of the
material in this series may be restricted due to provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) 1974.

27. 1977-1982 *Access Restricted*
28. 1979 *Access Restricted*
29. 1979-1980 *Access Restricted*
30. 1979-1980 *Access Restricted*
31. 1979-1980
32. 1979-1981
33. 1980
34. 1980-1981 *Access Restricted*
35. 1981
36. 1981 *Access Restricted*