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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Historical Note

Fred Lawrence Whipple (1906-2004), an astronomer, received the B.A. from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1927, and the Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley in 1931. In 1932, he joined the staff of Harvard University as an Instructor of Astronomy. By 1950, Whipple had received the title of Professor and Chairman of the Department of Astronomy at Harvard. Whipple was appointed Director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory (SAO) when it moved to Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1955. After his retirement in 1973, Whipple continued his research as a Senior Scientist at SAO.

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession includes Whipple's Curriculum Vitae, correspondence, materials regarding his work in comet work groups and committees, proposals, reports, technical notes and memos, and journal articles.

For related materials please see Record Unit 7431 and accessions 03-137 and 04-183.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Astronomers  
Astrophysicists  
Astrophysics  
Comets

Types of Materials:

Manuscripts

Names:

Harvard University  
Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory  
University of California, Berkeley  
University of California, Los Angeles

## Container Listing

### Box 1

Box 1 of 1	Curriculum Vitae, 2000
Box 1 of 1	Correspondence, 1954-2000
Box 1 of 1	Discovery Program Mission Concept Workshop, 1992
Box 1 of 1	Comet Work Groups and Committees, 1970-1975 (3 folders)
Box 1 of 1	Proposals, 1956-1958
Box 1 of 1	Reports, 1956-1979
Box 1 of 1	Technical Notes, 1954-1966
Box 1 of 1	Technical Memos, 1965-1979
Box 1 of 1	Notes, 1970-1978
Box 1 of 1	Memos, 1957-1978
Box 1 of 1	Journal Articles and Drafts, 1948-1999 (2 folders)
Box 1 of 1	Miscellaneous, 1951-1999