



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	Ian Gordon ROBERTSON
ACCESSION NO	2004.0031
CATEGORY	University, individuals
ACTIVITY	Academics - History
DATE RANGE	1935-2004
SIZE OF COLLECTION	32 boxes
HISTORICAL NOTE	Born 9 September 1935, Robertson studied at Wesley College and at the University of Melbourne, graduating BA (Hons) in History in 1957. From 1957 to 1961 he was Aitchison-Myer Travelling Scholar at Magdalen College, graduating B Phil European History (Oxon) 1959, and Rome Scholar in Mediaeval Studies at the British School at Rome 1959-1961. He was appointed Lecturer at Melbourne in 1961, was History Department chairman 1982-1984, and retired in 1997. His magnum opus was 'Tyranny under the mantle of St Peter: Pope Paul II and Bologna (Turnhout, Belgium, 2002). Ian Robertson died 6 January 2004.
DATE OF TRANSFER	17 September 2004
ACCESS CONDITIONS	Access: Part restricted
DESCRIPTION	Diaries, correspondence, lecture notes (as student at Wesley College, University of Melbourne and Magdalen College, Oxford), his own lecture notes, principally in Italian Renaissance history, research notes and drafts of publications, talks, broadcasts, photographs.
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	Some parts of this collection are restricted. This collection may not be available for immediate retrieval. Please discuss with Archive staff.
NOTE ON LISTING	This list was created at the time that the collection was transferred to the University of Melbourne Archives in 2004.
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DATE	28 February 2007

Box No	Series No	Description	Date
1		Diaries [gaps]	1957 - 1980
2		Diaries [gaps]	1981 – 2001
3		Lecture Notes	
4		Bibliographical and archival source notes and catalogues of various Archives and Libraries in Roma (correspondence interleaved)	
5		Tyranny under the mantle of Saint Peter – early draft typescript; later draft and typescript (& correspondence)	
6		Lectures, -program reading guides, Reading handouts; <i>Images, Rituals, Spaces; Christianising of European civilization; State of Roma in 15th Century; Antiquarians and the idea of Rome; Rome of the pilgrims 1450 Jubilee</i>	
7		Lecture scripts – <i>Rome and the idea of Rome</i> ; Special study papers; General History; Old lectures on the Papal state.	
8		Main – McBriar travel in Italy; Wesley College – scholarships; scholarships and Undergraduate 1950s; University of Melbourne 1960s; John Foster files (2); Vic Div Brit. School at Rome; Application for promotion to Reader; Application for La Trobe Chair. Melbourne application and promotion.	
9		Fine Arts course bibliography 1977 (in case Dept. does not have copies) History Dept. course outlines etc. (for identifying lecture scripts).	
10		Lectures – Other & old lectures on C15th Rome & Papal Patronage (some served also as Fine Arts lectures).	
11		Drafts etc. of B. Phil thesis at Magdalen College.	
12		Lecture scripts	
13		Appointment as Hon. Senior Fellow, Uni. Of Melb.; Articles and Chapters – drafts, offprints, corresp – neighbourhood Govt. in Cesina – Storia di Cesana; Supervisor files; Reviews of ; Proof copies of other people's work sent for comment; Files re subscriptions	
14		Broadcasts – HRC Seminars 1983; Seminars and lectures at other institutions – CAE, RMIT, Carringbush; Sample of early research for publication – Cesena article 1966; Script for Research Seminar 1964; Lecture – Italian Dept. 1966	
15		Lecture outlines etc. Research materials re Sixtus IV	
16		Lecture support material sample files – Savonarola Bruni Salutati	
17		National Trust – Supreme Court – Werribee Park	
18		Lecture Scripts etc.	
19		Course Guides etc.	

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20		Lectures	
21		Seminar Papers – Courts in C15th Bologna – Pleasure and Power – Cronyism & the State Ts Articles – Musical Stalls – History on the Edge – Cesana offprints – Pietro Barbo – Consuming Conspirators; Correspondence re above inc. Bill Kent; Folders of source lists from various Archivio de Stato for Tyranny.	
22		Some lecture support materials, guides etc; lecture material, scripts etc., incl. lectures etc on France and Spain – Modern History A in 1962; Tutorial material; Historiography for 3 rd yr Gen. reading Course 1961	
23		Lecture scripts etc. includes notes on Charles Zika lectures in Christianizing of European Society	
24		Lectures	
25		Lecture guides handouts etc.; Reconstruction of Rome “Palace Building in Quattrocento Rome incl. Fine Arts Sistine Chapel	
26		History Dept. – Varieties of History course; Interdepartmental course Medievalism; MA & Ph D. seminar series; Fine Arts Lectures; Schools broadcasts; Teacher refreshers	
27		Lecture notes taken as student 1954; Essays, Melbourne and Oxford; includes A D Hope Cervantes; & later Hist. & Phil. of Science reading lists.	
28		Lectures and seminars at institutions other than University of Melbourne; IR’s Chapter & other files re J. Hale Festschrift; <i>Cookery Bookery</i> seminar; Pipe Organs; Dante Alighieri Society	
29		Lecture Scripts	
30		Old lectures – Avignon – Councils Trent etc; Catholic reformation	
31		Correspondence – mother et al.	
	1	1/1 IGR-Robertson, Marga 1/1/1 IGR- Robertson, Marga Thirteen airletters and letters, various addresses in UK and Italy, 9 May 1959-24 September 1960 1/1/2 IGR-Robertson, Marga Twelve airletters and letters, and one telegram, from IGR in Rome to his mother in Melbourne, 16 December 1963-11 February 1964 1/1/3 IGR – Robertson, Marga Twenty-four airletters and letters from IGR in Melbourne to his mother while abroad, 23 April-4	1959-1960 1963-1964 1964

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		October 1964	
	1/2	Robertson, Marga - IGR	1964
		A series of letters, airletters, postcards etc. to IGR in Melbourne from his mother in 1964, from on board the P & O liner 'Iberia' leaving Melbourne 21 April, then from addresses in Sussex, Germany, Liechtenstein, Paris, Sussex, Rome, and Cornwall, and on board P & O 'Canberra' returning to Melbourne, the last letter dated 7 October 1964	
	1/3	IGR – Robertson, Marga	1966-1976
		1/3/1 Airletters, postcards and telegrams most from Bologna and Roma, 18 December 1966-22 February 1968	1966-1968
		1/3/2 Airletters and postcards, mainly from Athens and Roma, 14 August 1971-13 February 1972; also a copy of the itinerary of his trip including a tour of Sicily, and a batch of four black-and-white group photographs taken at a function at the Accademia Britannica, Roma, 22 November 1971 (well annotated except that domestic and grounds staff are identified only as to first names).	1971-1972
		1/3/3 Seven airletters and a telegram from Rome, 18 December 1972-10 February 1973;	
		1/3/4 Airletters and telegrams from Roma, 3 October 1973-12 January 1976;	1972-1973
		1/3/5 Miscellaneous notes, aides-memoire etc. of Marga Robertson's, often written on old envelopes etc., concerning the handling of IGR's affairs in Melbourne during his absence overseas	1973-1976
	1/4	IGR – Robertson, Marga	1977-1985
		A series of airletters, and a few telegrams, to his mother from addresses in Italy, mainly Rome:	
		1/4/1 Seven airletters and one telegram, 13 December 1977-11 February 1978;	
		1/4/2 One airletter, 28 January 1979;	
		1/4/3 Thirty-five airletters and three telegrams, 13 December 1979-18 January 1981;	
		1/4/4 One airletter, 13 January 1982;	
		1/4/5 Ten airletters and one telegram, 11 April-21 July 1985.	
	2	IGR – R J Gordon and Marga Robertson (his parents)	1957-1961

Box No	Series No	Description	Date
		A series of letters, airletters and telegrams from a variety of addresses, commencing 20 August 1957 aboard P & O 'Strathnaver' between Melbourne and Adelaide en route to Oxford, and finishing 2 March 1961 on board P & O 'Himalaya' in Sydney en route back to Melbourne; a pencil sketch and some press cuttings attached throughout.	
	3	Miscellaneous postcards and letters IGR to parents and grandmother, and photographs, cuttings and pamphlets; among these is also a letter of R M Crawford to IGR's father, 21 December 1955, discussing IGR's future, and one from the P & O office in Melbourne to IGR's mother, 25 March 1960, concerning IGR's passage back to Australia on the 'Himalaya'. 12 December 1955-9 March 1961	1959-1961
	4	Miscellaneous	
		4/1 Inward	
32		Lecture Scripts	
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