

**Finding Aid for the
OBU Campus Activities Office records,
1987-93
OBU.2026.031**



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Abstract: Files maintained by the Campus Activities Office [now Student Activities] in Evans Student Center, Ouachita Baptist University. Includes correspondence, calendars, schedules, information on student retreats and orientation, rush, newsletters and university reports and pamphlets.

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Historical Summary

Ouachita Baptist University was founded as Ouachita Baptist College on September 6, 1886, and has operated continually since that date. Its current location is on the former campus of the Arkansas School for the Blind, which relocated to Little Rock.

The first president was J. W. Conger, who was elected to the post on June 22, 1886. The OBU Board of Trustees unanimously elected Dr. Ben Sells, former vice president for university advancement at Taylor University, as the sixteenth president of Ouachita Baptist University on April 7, 2016. Those who have served as president include J. W. Conger (1886–1907), Henry Simms Hartzog (1907–1911), R. G. Bowers (1911–1913), Samuel Young Jameson (1913–1916), Charles Ernest Dicken (1916–1926), Arthur B. Hill (1926–1929), Charles D. Johnson (1929–1933), James R. Grant (1933–1949), Seaford Eubanks (1949–1951), Harold A. Haswell (1952–1953), Ralph Arloe Phelps Jr. (1953–1969), Daniel R. Grant (1970–1988), Ben M. Elrod (1988–1998), Andrew Westmoreland (1998–2006) and Rex Horne (2006–2015).

Scope and Contents

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Keywords

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Related Materials: OBU Student Activities records

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