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## Summary information

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**Repository:** Victoria University Archives  
**Title:** Goldwin French fonds  
**ID:** 2183  
**Category [alternative]:** Administrators / Faculty personal papers  
**Date:** 1963-1995 (date of creation)

**Physical description:** 7 cm of textual records

**Dates of creation, revision and deletion:** Added by MO: June 2, 2016 Updated by JT: Oct 30 2018

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Dr. Goldwin French was an accomplished academic and President of Victoria University, 1973–1987. He was born in Dresden, Ontario, in 1923, and after high school there he went on to earn a B.A. from Victoria College in University of Toronto in 1944. Following war service in the R.C.A.F. he returned to University of Toronto to earn an M.A. (1947). His teaching career subsequently began at McMaster University as a lecturer. While there he received his Ph.D in Canadian History (1958), and became chairman of the History Department in the same year. Dr. French was appointed President of Victoria University in 1973. From 1982 to 1991 he was also a sessional lecturer at Emmanuel College, continuing beyond his retirement as President in 1987. During his distinguished scholarly career he chaired the Ontario Historical Series among other pursuits. Married to Iris Ivey in 1946, Dr. French died in 2013.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of correspondence, reports, research material, minutes and other records, 1963–1995, relating to Goldwin French's involvement in the Jackman History of Canadian Methodism project, as editor for the Ontario Historical Studies Series and Canadian Studies in History and Government, as well as his report to the editor of "The Correspondence of Northrop Frye and Helen Kemp, 1932-1939"

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

Records were acquired from Larry Kurtz in 2013.  
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### Restrictions on access

Files marked RR are restricted; permission must be obtained from the Chief Librarian.

### Accruals

No further accruals are anticipated.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

## Access points

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- Textual records (documentary form)

## Series descriptions

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
2183-2013.11V-1-1	File - Canadian Studies in History and Government	1963-1976		
2183-2013.11V-1-2	File - Ontario Historical Studies Series	1971-1972		
2183-2013.11V-1-3RR	File - Jackman History of Canadian Methodism project	1981-1987		
2183-2013.11V-1-4RR	File - Jackman History of Canadian Methodism project	1989-1994		
2183-2013.11V-1-5RR	File - Jackman History of Canadian Methodism project	1994-1995		
2183-2013.11V-1-6	File - Ontario Historical Studies Series	1984		
2183-2013.11V-1-7	File - "The Correspondence of Northrop Frye and Helen Kemp, 1932-1939"	1994-1995		