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SUSAN HOWSON FONDS

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Biographical Sketch

Susan Kyle Howson (née Finlay) was born on October 21, 1945 in London, England. Howson attended the London School of Economics (LSE) where she received a BA Honours (First Class) in Philosophy and Economics in 1967, followed by an MSc in Economics in 1969. Howson then attended the University of Cambridge and received an MA in 1974 and a PhD in Economics in 1975. Howson's dissertation was entitled *Domestic Monetary Management in Britain 1919-38*.

In 1976 Howson joined the University of Toronto's Scarborough College as a Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics. The following year Howson was given a permanent post at the U of T as an Assistant Professor, a title she held until 1979 when she became an Associate Professor of Economics.

While teaching at the U of T, Howson also took on appointments with the Bank of England's International Division as a Research Economist (1979-1981), and served as an occasional lecturer at the LSE (1980-1981). From 1984-1985 Howson served as an Academic Visitor to Oxford University's Nuffield College, which specializes in post-graduate research in social sciences, politics, and economics.

In 1988 Howson was granted the rank of full Professor at the University of Toronto. From 1995-2002 she took on the role of Associate Dean (Division II) of the School of Graduate Studies followed by a lengthy spell as the Vice Dean of Undergraduate Education and Teaching, Faculty of Arts and Science (2002-2009). While at the U of T, Howson delivered regular courses on monetary theory, macroeconomic theory, and the history of international economy.

Throughout her academic career Howson published widely in journals such as the Economic History Review, the Journal of Economic History, History of Political Economy, the Journal of the History of Economic Thought, and the Economic Journal. Howson wrote extensively on British monetary policy in the 20th century, and British economists' James Meade and Lionel Robbins, the latter for whom she wrote a comprehensive biography. Her writings and research on these topics led to her participation in countless global economic conferences and seminars.

Susan Howson retired from teaching in 2012 and remains a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Economics at the U of T.

Scope and Content

1975-2005

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Textual

The Susan Howson fonds consists of correspondence, lecture notes and materials, drafts of papers and conference talks, student interactions, and various files documenting Howson's career at the U of T. The fonds has been divided into the following series; Articles and Papers, Professional Activities, General Correspondence, and Teaching.

Restrictions on Access

All series in this fonds are open except for Series 4, Subseries 1 which is restricted for 20 years from latest date of file activity.

SERIES 1 – ARTICLES AND PAPERS

1973 – 2009

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Textual

This series consists of Howson's notes, writings, manuscripts and reports, many of which went to publication. The series consists of both typed and handwritten drafts and many files contain correspondence related to editing and publishing. The series is predominantly arranged in chronological order. If the article has been published, a full bibliographic listing is provided in the file list.

/Box (file)	Title	Dates
B2012-0026		
/001 (01)	"A Dear Money Man!?: Keynes on Monetary Policy, 1920" <i>Economic Journal</i> 83 (1973), 456–464.	1973
(02)	"The Post-War Boom and Slump"	1927-1975
(03)	"The Origins of Dear Money, 1919-20", <i>Economic History Review</i> XXVII (1974), 88–107.	1974
(04)	"Keynes on Monetary Policy, 1910-46", <i>Oxford Economics Papers</i> 26 (1974), 226–247 (with D. Moggridge)	1974
(05)	PhD THESIS, Chapters 3-6	[ca. 1974]
(06)	<i>The Economic Advisory Council 1930-1939: A Study in Economic Advice during Depression and Recovery</i> , Cambridge University Press, Cambridge (pp. vii + 424), 1977. (with D. Winch)	1974-1977
(07)	<i>Domestic Monetary Management in Britain, 1919-38</i> , Cambridge University Press, Cambridge (pp. ix + 213), 1975.	1974-1984
(08)	<i>Domestic Monetary Management in Britain, 1919-38</i> , Cambridge University Press, Cambridge (pp. ix + 213), 1975. (Charts and Tables)	[ca. 1975]
/002 (01)	<i>Domestic Monetary Management in Britain, 1919-38</i> , Cambridge University Press, Cambridge (pp. ix + 213), 1975. (Complete Draft)	1975
(02)	"Sterling's Managed Float: The Operations of the Exchange Equalisation Account, 1932-39", <i>Princeton Studies in International Finance</i> 46 (1980), 1–66. (Correspondence)	1975-1980

- (03) "Sterling's Managed Float: The Operations of the Exchange Equalisation Account, 1932-39", *Princeton Studies in International Finance* 46 (1980), 1–66. (for The Economic History Association) [ca.1975]
- (04) "Sterling's Managed Float: The Operations of the Exchange Equalisation Account, 1932-39", *Princeton Studies in International Finance* 46 (1980), 1–66. (Prelim. Draft) [ca. 1979]
- (05) "Sterling's Managed Float: The Operations of the Exchange Equalisation Account, 1932-39", *Princeton Studies in International Finance* 46 (1980), 1–66. (Top Copy) 1979
- (06) "Sterling's Managed Float: The Operations of the Exchange Equalisation Account, 1932-39", *Princeton Studies in International Finance* 46 (1980), 1–66. (Updated) 1980
- /003** (01) "Slump and Unemployment", in *The Economic History of Britain since 1700, (Volume 2): 1860 to the 1970s* (edited by R. Floud and D. McCloskey), Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1981, 265–285. 1975-1981
- (02) "Was There a Keynesian Revolution in Economic Policy?" 1977
- (03) "Monetary Theory and Policy in the 20th Century: The Career of R. G. Hawtrey" 1977-1978
- (04) "Hawtrey's Influence on British Economic Policy Between the Wars" 1979
- (05) "Hawtrey and the Real World", in *Keynes and his Contemporaries* (edited by G.C. Harcourt), Macmillan, London, 1985, 142–188. (edited for Kent Conference) 1980-1982
- (06) "External Financial Markets, Capital Mobility and Monetary Independence", in *International Monetary Problems and Supply-Side Economics* (edited by J.S. Cohen and G.C. Harcourt), Macmillan, London, 1986, 84–107. 1980-1984
- /004** (01) "Banks and Industry in the Inter-War Period" 1981
- (02) Untitled project on Inter-War International Economy 1983-1986
- (03) "Cheap Money and Debt Management in Britain, 1932-51", in *Money and Power: Essays in Honour of L.S. Pressnell* (edited by P. Cottrell and D. Moggridge), Macmillan, London, 1988, 227–289. 1983-1988

	(04)	Various Seminar Papers on Post-War Economics (1945-1951	1984-1987
	(05)	British Monetary Policy and Labor Government Articles (Mainly Correspondence related to)	1984-1986
	(06)	"The Problem of Monetary Control in Britain 1948-51", <i>Journal of European Economic History</i> 20 (1991), 59–92.	1985-1991
/005	(01)	"Economists as policymakers: editing the papers of James Meade, Lionel Robbins and the Economic Advisory Council", in <i>Editing Modern Economists</i> (edited by D.E. Moggridge), AMS Press, New York, 1987, 129–152.	1986
	(02)	"The Origins of Cheaper Money, 1945-47", <i>Economic History Review</i> LX (1987), 433–452.	1986-1990
	(03)	<i>The Collected Papers of James Meade, Volume IV: The Cabinet Office Diary</i> Unwin Hyman, London (pp. x + 372), 1988.	1986-1990
	(04)	"'Socialist' Monetary Policy: Monetary Thought in the Labour Party in the 1940s", <i>History of Political Economy</i> 20 (1988), 543–564.	1986-1991
	(05)	<i>The Collected Papers of James Meade, Volume I: Employment and Inflation, Volume II: Value, Distribution and Growth, Volume III: International Economics</i> , Unwin Hyman, London	1986-1993
/006	(01)	Entries for the New Oxford Dictionary of National Biography	1986-2001
	(02)	<i>The Wartime Diaries of Lionel Robbins and James Meade 1943-45</i> , Macmillan, London, (pp. viii + 261), 1990.	1988-1991
	(03)	"Money and Monetary Policy 1945-90", in <i>The Economic History of Britain since 1700 (Volume 3): 2nd edition</i> (edited by R. Floud and D. McCloskey), Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1994, 221–254.	1989-1994
	(04)	Entry for "The New Palgrave Dictionary of Money and Finance"	1990-1991
	(05)	<i>Economic Science and Political Economy: Selected Articles of Lionel Robbins</i> , Macmillan, London, 1997	1990-1997
	(06)	"Economists as Diarists: An Editor's and User's View" (paper Presented at the Lausanne Conference)	1991-1992
	(07)	<i>British Monetary Policy 1945-51</i> , Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1993.	[ca. 1993]
	(08)	<i>British Monetary Policy 1945-51</i> , Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1993. Origin tables and charts	[ca. 1993]

/007	(01)	<i>Lionel Robbins Contribution to the Public Policy Debate and Opinion 1945-1965</i> , Harper Collins Anniversary Conference	1995
	(02)	Obituary for James Meade	1998
	(03)	"Why Didn't Hayek Review Keynes's General Theory? A Partial Answer", <i>History of Political Economy</i> 33 (2) (2001), 371–77	1999-2004
	(04)	"Money and Monetary Policy since 1945", in <i>The Cambridge Economic History of Modern Britain, Vol III Structural Change and Growth</i> (edited by R. Floud and P. Johnson), Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2004, 136–166.	2000-2002
	(05)	“Art and State” Paper presented at Luce Conference	2002-2003
	(06)	History of Political Economy – “Life Writing and the History of Economics” Conference Preparation	2004-2006
	(07)	“The Making of Robbins’s Essay”	2007-2008
	(08)	"Keynes and the LSE economists", <i>Journal of the History of Economic Thought</i> 31 (3) (2009), 257–280.	2008-2009

SERIES 2 – PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

1976-2011 0.44m Textual

This series consists of records dealing with Howson’s professional activities. The series includes correspondence and minutes from various committees, correspondence and notes on refereed articles and books, conference materials, and various work and correspondence with academic journals and economic organizations. This series also includes several files of correspondence with colleagues and students which have been kept separate from Howson’s other correspondence, presumably because her communication with certain colleagues and graduate students was much more extensive and ongoing, and was directly related to various professional activities. The series is arranged chronologically except for the correspondence, which has been left in its original order at the end of the series.

/008	(01)	U of T Scarborough Campus administrative correspondence	1976-2000
	(02)	Bank of England employment materials	1978-1981
	(03)	U of T’s Economic History graduate program	1978-1986
	(04)	Miscellaneous correspondence with U of T Scarborough Campus Students	1978-1995
	(05)	Correspondence regarding refereed books	1977-2005
	(06)	Bank of England training courses	1980
	(07)	Bank of England discussion paper	1981-1983
	(08)	Correspondence regarding refereed articles	1982-2011

/009	(01)	UK Monetary Statistics	1985
	(02)	Allan Meltzer Colloquium	1986
	(03)	Keynes and Public Policy Conference at York University	1986
	(04)	Recruitment Committee for Anthropology, Women's Studies and Development Studies position	1987-1988
	(05)	Centre for South Asian Studies Committee	1991-1996
	(06)	Erindale College Associate Dean Search Committee	1992-1998
	(07)	Canadian Economics Association annual meeting	1994
	(08)	European Society for the History of Economic Thought Conference	1994-1996
	(09)	Money, Financial Institutions, and Macroeconomics Conference York, University	1995
	(10)	Canadian Economics Association Annual Meetings	1996
	(11)	Committee to Review the Joint Centre for Asia-Pacific Studies	1996-2005
	(12)	Centre of Criminology Committee	1997-1998
	(13)	Committee to Review the Centre for Russian and East European Studies	1998
/010	(01)	Committee to Review the Centre for International Studies	1998-1999
	(02)	Centre for Urban and Community Studies Committee	1999-2000
	(03)	Governing Council Correspondence (Restricted)	2000-2003
	(04)	History of Economic Thought Society of Australia (HETSA) Prize Submissions	2004-2005
	(05)	History of Economic Society Meetings	2004-2008
	(06)	Correspondence with Donald Winch	1973-1991
/011	(07)	Correspondence Kenneth Mourè	1982-1991
	(01)	Correspondence David Laidler	1987-2000
	(02)	Correspondence Jeremy Wormell	1991-2000
	(03)	Correspondence Kathleen Rasmussen	1998-2003
	(04)	Correspondence with Allan Sleeman	2008-2009

SERIES 3 – GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

1973-2011

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Textual

This series consists of the balance of Howson's correspondence with colleagues, students, journal and book editors, and publishers. The series is arranged in alphabetical order by surname.

/011	(05)	John Banasik	2007
	(06)	Enid Barnett	1977-1982
	(07)	Brad Bateman	1992-1995
	(08)	Maxine Berg	1992
	(09)	Daniel Besomi	1994-2000
/012	(01)	Mauro Boianovsky	1993-2000
	(02)	Kathleen Burk	1981-1994
	(03)	Alec Cairncross	1992-1997
	(04)	Anna Carabelli	1976-1985
	(05)	Victoria Chick	1988-1999
	(06)	Derek Chisholm	1976-1982
	(07)	Peter Clarke	1986-1994

	(08)	Patrick Deutscher	1978-1988
	(09)	Elizabeth Durbin	1984-1993
	(10)	Barry Eichengreen	1979-1991
	(11)	John Eyers	1975-1977
	(12)	Evelyn Forget	1986
	(13)	Ellen Foster	1983-1991
	(14)	Winston Fritsch	1983-1987
	(15)	Geoff Harcourt	1978-1998
	(16)	Douglas Irwin	2007
	(17)	Elizabeth Johnson	1973-1976
/013	(01)	Halina Kwiencinski	1990-1995
	(02)	Diane Kuntz	1985-1995
	(03)	Megan Jill MacGarvie	1998-2000
	(04)	Francine McKenzie	1997-2008
	(05)	Pablo Martin Aceña	1979-1982
	(06)	Roger Middleton	1978-2011
	(07)	David Mole	1978-1986
	(08)	Monica Neitzert	1989-1991
	(09)	Don Patinkin	1975-1995
	(10)	George Peden	1983-2002
	(11)	Leslie Pressnell	1981-2005
	(12)	Shauna Saunders	1988-2003
	(13)	Richard Sayers	1980
	(14)	Catherine Schenk	1987-2003
	(15)	Nancy South	1988-1990

SERIES 4 – TEACHING

1974 – 2011

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Textual

This series consists of Professor Howson's teaching materials. The series consists of materials used for undergraduate and graduate-level economics courses which Howson taught at both the University of Toronto's Scarborough and St. George campuses. The files in this series contain lecture notes, syllabi, problem sets and tests, and some correspondence with students regarding assignments. This series has been arranged by course title, an arrangement which also represents the chronology of the courses taught by Howson. The class materials for each course typically cover multiple years, however there are some files which relate to a specific section or year, which has been indicated in the file title. **This series also contains a sub-series entitled *Student Affairs* which is restricted.**

Restrictions

Box 19, files (08) through (21) are restricted for 20 years from latest date of file activity. Restricted files are indicated in both the finding aid and on the physical file.

/014	(01)	Cambridge Lent-Term & Michaelmas Term “The Theory of Monetary Policy”	1974-1976
	(02)	ECOB05F (U of T Scarborough) – “National Income and National Economy”	1976-1978
	(03)	ECOB05F (U of T Scarborough) – Problem Sets and Tests	1976-1978
	(04)	ECOB06S (U of T Scarborough) – “Macroeconomic Policy”	1978-1979
	(05)	ECOB06S (U of T Scarborough) – Problem Sets and Tests	1978-1979
	(06)	ECOB08F (U of T Scarborough) – “Money and Banking”	1976-1978
/015	(01)	ECOB08F (U of T Scarborough) – Problem Sets and Tests	1976-1978
	(02)	ECOC17F (U of T Scarborough) – “Episodes in Monetary History”	1976-1978
	(03)	ECOB07Y (U of T Scarborough) – “Macroeconomic Theory and Policy”	1981-1983
	(04)	ECOB07Y (U of T Scarborough) – Exercises	1981-1982
	(05)	ECOB07Y (U of T Scarborough) – Exercises	1982-1983
	(06)	ECOC448S (U of T Scarborough) – “Monetary Economics” Problem Sets	1991-1993
	(07)	ECOC18S (U of T Scarborough) – “Workshop on Problems of Monetary Economics”	1977
/016	(01)	ECOC14S (U of T Scarborough) – “Advanced Macroeconomic Theory”	1978-1979
	(02)	ECOC14S (U of T Scarborough) – Exams and Assignments	1994
	(03)	ECOC14S (U of T Scarborough) – “Advanced Macroeconomic Theory”	1994
	(04)	London School of Economics/U of T – “International Monetary Economics”	1980-1981 1981-1984
	(05)	ECOD50H (U of T Scarborough) – “Workshop in Economic Research”	1993-1994
	(06)	ECOC15F (U of T Scarborough) – “Topics in Advanced Economic Theory”	1981-1984
	(07)	ECOC62F (U of T Scarborough) – “International Economics: Trade Theory” (Part I)	1986-1990
/017	(01)	ECOC62F (U of T Scarborough) – “International Economics: Trade Theory” (Part I)	1994
	(02)	ECOC61S 1983 Class (U of T Scarborough) – “International Economics: Finance”	1983
	(03)	ECOC61S (U of T Scarborough) – Problem Sets and Tests	1984
	(04)	ECOC61S 1986 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1986
	(05)	ECOC61S 1987 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1987
	(06)	ECOC61S 1988 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1988
	(07)	ECOC61S 1989 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1989
	(08)	ECOC61S 1990 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1990
	(09)	ECOC61S 1991 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1991
	(10)	ECOC61S 1994 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1994
	(11)	ECOC61S 1995 Class (U of T Scarborough)	1995
/018	(01)	ECO2214 1978-1979 Class (U of T) – “British and International Economic History since 1870”	1978-1984
	(02)	ECO2214 1981-1982 Class (U of T)	1981-1982
	(03)	ECO2214 1982-1983 Class (U of T)	1982-1990

	(04)	ECO2214 1983-1984 Class (U of T)	1983-1995
	(05)	ECO2214 1985-1986 Class (U of T)	1985-1987
	(06)	ECO2214 1986-1987 Class (U of T)	1986-1988
	(07)	ECO2214 1987-1988 Class (U of T)	1987-1988
	(08)	ECO2214 1988-1989 Class (U of T)	1988-1989
	(09)	ECO2214/457 1989-1990 Class (U of T)	1989-1990
	(10)	ECO2214/457 1993-1994 Class (U of T)	1993-1994
	(11)	ECO2214/457 1994-1995 Class (U of T)	1994-1995
	(12)	ECO2214/457 1995-1996 Class (U of T)	1995-1996
	(13)	ECO2214 1997-1998 Class (U of T)	1997-1998
	(14)	ECO2214 2001-2002 Class (U of T)	2001-2002
	(15)	ECO457Y 2010-2011 Class (U of T) – “The International Economy since 1870”	2010-2011
	(16)	ECO2214 Reading Lists taken from Prof. I.M. Drummond	1964-1984
	(17)	ECO2006S (U of T) – “Topics in the History of Economics: The Development of Economic Analysis” Lecture Notes	[ca.2000]
	(18)	ECO2006S 2000 Class (U of T)	2000
/019	(01)	ECO2006S 2001 Class (U of T)	2001
	(02)	ECO2302H (U of T) – “International Economics: Theory and Institutions” Lecture Notes	1997-2001
	(03)	ECO2302H 1997-1998 Class (U of T)	1997-1999
	(04)	ECO2302H 1998-1999 Class (U of T)	1998-1999
	(05)	ECO2302H 1999-2000 Class (U of T)	1999-2000
	(06)	ECO2302H 2000-2001 Class (U of T)	2000-2001
	(07)	ECO2302H 2001-2002 Class (U of T)	2000-2002

SERIES 4 – SUBSERIES 1 – STUDENT AFFAIRS [RESTRICTED]

1982-2011

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Textual

This subseries consists of correspondence with students, colleagues and University of Toronto administration regarding student affairs. The series also includes letters of recommendation, grades, and correspondence related to various academic issues. **The files in this series have been restricted for 20 years from latest date of file activity.**

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/019 (08) – (27) Student Files – Reference letters, Correspondence, and Grading 1980-2011