Women’s History: Sources

How to use this list of sources

This is a list of some of the collections that may provide a useful starting point when researching this subject. More detailed lists are available in the searchroom and from our online catalogue. Enquiries should be directed to the Duty Archivist; see contact details at the end of this source list.

Education

University of Glasgow: The matriculation albums, class lists, rolls of graduates and records of the academic departments show the progress of the University of Glasgow's female students from the first in 1892 to the present day. We have created databases on early female matriculants, which can be accessed in the search room by arrangement.

Queen Margaret College (GUAS Ref: DC 233): We also have the records of Queen Margaret College, which was established in 1883 (and was then the only college for the Higher Education of women in Scotland) and merged with the University in 1892. These contain information about the early development of higher education for women in Scotland in general as well as details of individual members of staff, students and patrons.

See also:

DC 240 Queen Margaret Union
DC 22 Queen Margaret Settlement Association
DC 122 Ure Elder Fund for Indigent Widow Ladies which also contains records on Mrs Elder and Queen Margaret College

DC 44 Glasgow Association of University Women
DC 154 Glasgow University Ladies Club
DC 453 Glasgow University Women's Club (London)

Records of other institutions, organisations and businesses

DC 259 Kelvin Club, Ladies club, Glasgow
DC 260 Women's Help Committee, Atholl House, Glasgow
DC 468 National Health Society and Elizabeth Blackwell
UGC21 Highland Girl's Club Munitions Workers
UGD89 Nobel’s Explosives Co Ltd

See also:
Source Guide: War Studies

Items in other collections

DC 65/7 The Word, socialist magazine with column for women, details of Women’s Liberation Meetings and occasional articles about the women’s movement (1970-1972)
Personal papers

See also the Jackson Collection of photographs (DC111) depicting the life of an Edwardian middle-class family at home in Edinburgh and on holiday.

DC 463    Abernethy, Christine Calder (1896-1987), MBChB 1919
DC 216    Abernethy, Marion Forrest, MA 1936
DC 317    Allen, Lydia Torrance, KIH, MD (1923), CLB, FRCOG
DC 45     Allison, Dr Margaret, MB ChB, student 1918-1924
UGC 102   Allison, Harriet, Science student 1906-1910
DC 383    Anderson, Eliza, MA 1912
DC 378    Anderson, Lizzie Jane, BSc 1929
DC 204    Annand, Louise Gibson, MA 1937
DC 442    Arneil, Jean Wilson, MA 1922, teacher
DC 445    Baird, Vera, MA 1924
DC 342    Balabanian, Margaret Isgouhie, MA 1924, 1918-1924
DC 374    Barron, Lilias Mary Watson (née Kirton), BSc 1934, student 1930-1934, and
          Barron, Lilas Hunter, BSc 1968
DC 344    Berry, Elizabeth Proctor Connell, MA 1928, student 1925-1928
DC 77     Bowman, Mrs Mabel
DC 46     Browne, Miss Ethel AM, MA, student 1927-1930
DC 346    Cameron, Jessie Grant, MA, BSc, student 1913-1919
UGC 162   Carmichael, Mrs Lilian (1924 - ), Arts and Law graduate
UGC 209   Christie, Christin Craig (Mrs Paterson), MBChB 1941.
DC 237    Cunningham, Christina Scott, BSc 1923
UGC 84    Cunningham, Muriel Churchill Holmes, MB ChB 1939
UGC 136   Cuthill, Dora, BSc 1944
DC 345    Crawford, Eliza M, MA, student 1925-1928
UGC 34    Cross, Morag, MA, Archaeology student 1980-1984
UGC 39    Dick, Annie, MA 1935
DC 274    Dickson, Shelagh Mary, Arts Student 1935-1939
DC 380    Drummond, Jeannie Wharrie McMaster, MA 1925
UGC 33    Easson, Betty, MA, History student 1946-1950
DC 341    Edmiston, Jeanie Taylor, MA 1916, student 1913-1916
UGC 40    Ferguson, Isobel Margaret, MA 1929
DC 359    Forest, Elsie, MA 1925, student 1921-1925
DC 51     Frank, Hannah (née Levy), MA, student 1926-1930
DC 384    Fraser, Aenea Kate, arts student, 1910-1911
DC 420    Frazer, Helen L, BSc 1940
DC 18     Gairdner, Agnes
DC 203    Gardener, Mary Donald, BSc 1949
DC 364    Gibson, Christian Smith, BL 1920, student 1916-1920
DC 360    Glover, Elizabeth, MA 1928, student 1925-1928
DC 361    Glover, Mary Waugh, MA 1926, student 1923-1926
DC 391    Goldie, Agnes Mathie, MA 1927, teacher
DC 398    Goldie, Margaret Elizabeth, MA 1965
UGC 159   Graham, Christina (1928- ), Law student
DC 365    Graham, Lillian Hulme, MA 1925, student 1921-1925
DC 357    Gray, Agnes Duncan, MA 1916, student 1913-1916
UGC 64    Gray, Margaret Muriel, MA 1907
DC 348    Hamilton, Esther Millar, MA 1928, student 1924-1928
DC 153    Hay, Brenda and family, MA 1924, photographs
UGC 208   Hunter-Brown, Isobel, MA 1940 and MBChB 1953
DC 39     Hutchison, Rita, MB ChB, DPH, student 1915-1918
DC 171    Keer, Dr Honoria Somerville, MB ChB, student 1903-1910.

Includes information on her service in the Scottish Women’s Hospital in Salonica in the First World War and subsequent medical service in India and Nigeria.
UGC 69  Kerr, Margaret R (Mrs Telfer), MA 1937
UGC 128  Kirkland, Annie S K, MA 1918
DC 356  Lamb, Agnes Hudson, MA 1915, student 1910-1914
DC 337  Lang, Margaret, MA 1911, student 1909-1911
DC 340  Lee, Mary (‘May’), MA 1922, student 1918-1922
DC 50  Lendrum, Mrs Elizabeth B (nee Currie), MA, student 1925-1928
DC 42  Liston, Dr Mary Forbes, MB ChB, student 1895-1900
UGC 10  Livingstone, Marie-Christine (Mrs Roberts) MA, Arts student 1961-1964
DC 350  Lowthian, Margaret Gordon, MA, student 1923-1926
DC 291 Lyons, Joan, Student 1955-1958
DC 142  MacDiarmid, Agnes
UGC 31  Macdonald, Fiona Anne, MA PhD, Celtic and Scottish History student 1976-1980
DC 335  McEwan, Dr Sarah C, MB ChB 1946, DPH, MTCH, D(OBST)RCOL, student 1941-1946
DC 497  MacFadyen, Eithne Elizabeth, BDS (1970)
DC 236  McFarlane, Annie Beaton, MA 1923 and Janet, MA 1922
DC 411  McGregor, Janet, MA 1927
UGC 40  MacGrory, Eileen Rose, MA 1958 Med
UGC 202  MacKay, Minnie (Marion) Frances, MA 1925, Social Science Diploma 1927, student 1922-26
DC 235  McKelvie, Margaret Cooke, MA (Hons) 1921
DC 451  Muggock, Helen Milne Lawson (1915- )
DC 450  Napier, Barbara, Senior Tutor to women students, Glasgow University
DC 295  Orr, Anne Stewart, English Literature Student 1917-18
UGC 180  Palmar, Molly (née Glenn) (1917-1970), Arts graduate
UGC 156  Paterson, Dorothy Joan (Mrs Grant) (1913-2006), Science graduate
DC 469  Paterson, Elizabeth Agnes, MA 1944
DC 362  Pettigrew, Christina Girdwood, MA 1929, student 1926-1929
DC 323  Porter, Isabella Gordon, MA 1919, student 1916-1919
UGC 35  Ratzer, Maria Alexander, Medical student 1949-1961
UGC 132  Reid, Jessie (Mrs Mann), Arts student
DC 207  Reid, June Gilchrist, Bsc 1962, (1889-1970)
UGC 40  Ritchie, Annabella Mathias Kilgour, MA 1929
DC 124  Ritchie, Miss M, prison papers and tapes
DC 460  Ross, Madeline Marjorie, MA 1942
DC 37  Russell, Mrs Phyllis
DC 74  Sloan-Smith, Mary, MB ChB 1923
DC 48  Stewart, Miss Helen R, MA (Hons) History 1928
UGC 40  Taylor, Lilian Mathias de Proanca, MA 1958 MEd
DC 20  Sister Monica, Monica Taylor, Biologist, senior lecturer in Science, Notre Dame Training College, DDL (Glasgow) 1953
UGC 53  Thomson, Elizabeth, Temperance teacher, suffragette
UGC 98  Thomson, Mary (Mrs Mackenzie), MA, Arts student 1906-1911
UGC 68  Toomey, Mary Margaret (Mrs Hughes), MA 1938
DC 280  Topen, Alma (née Munn), MA 1977
DC 281  Turner, Denyce, Arts Student 1981-1985
UGC 146  Westwater, Jean L G, Arts graduate
DC 212  Wilkie, Mary Docherty Liddell, MA 1933
UGC 138  Wilson, Barbara, MA 1946
UGC 74  Wilson, Edith Hill, MA 1914
DC 283  Wilson, Isabel J T, Education Student 1940-1941
UGC 56  Young, Elizabeth Cullen, MA 1928