Architecture: 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. It gives the collection reference and a brief description of the kinds of records held in the collections. 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.

Architects

Some of the architects whose plans and drawings have been deposited with us:

Adam, William; (1689-1748) father of John, Robert, James and William
Plans:
College Library 1731

Blore, Edward; (1787-1879)
Plans:
New College Buildings, Woodlands (proposals) 1851

Brown, Dr John, 1901-2000, naval architect, Glasgow, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGC 92)
Personal papers, relating to John Brown's family, Hutchesons' Grammar School and the University of Glasgow 1908-1998
Papers relating to John Brown's professional career 1919-1997
Papers relating to John Brown's retirement 1954-1998
Papers relating to honours that John Brown received both during his career and Retirement 1959-2000
Publications by John Brown, or about him and his work 1999-2001
Various audio-visual materials 1905-2000

Burnet, Sir John James; (1857-1938) practised in Glasgow and London. Knighted in 1914; FRIBA 1897; ARA 1921; RA 1921
Plans:
Court Room (proposals) 1902
John McIntyre Building extension 1908
Natural History Building extension 1921-23
University Chapel 1928
West Wing of Gilbert Scott Building 1919

Coia, Jack Antonio; (1898-1981) taught at Glasgow School of Architecture, FRIBA 1941; CBE 1967
Plans:
Boiler House 1952

Hamilton, David; (1768-1843) designed many buildings in the west of Scotland including the Glasgow Exchange
Plans:
Anatomy Building, Old College 1803
Architects (continued)

Hughes, T Harold
Plans:
Chemistry Department 1937
Garscube Sports Pavilion 1937
Gilbert Scott Building (alterations)
Hillhead Extension (proposal) 1951
Law Department
MacBrayne Hall (alterations) 1931-38
Reading Room 1938

John Keppie & Henderson & J L Gleave
Plans:
Bute & Randolph Halls
Department of Geology and Geography 1954
Engineering Department Extension 1957
James Watt Building 1954
Staff Club (proposals) 1949

Mears, Sir Frank; (1880-1953)
Plans:
Re-development of the University 1943, 1947-51

Nicholson, Peter; (1765-1844) Mathematician and Architect. Set up as an architect in Glasgow 1800
Plans:
Hamilton Building, Old College renovation 1806

Robb, Andrew McCance, (1887-1968), Professor in Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering, University of Glasgow, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGC 191)
Documents relating to his assistance in Board of Trade enquiry into sinking of the MV Princess Victoria, including notes, reports, ship plans, correspondence and research material 1951-1953
Photograph of Professor Robb c1960s
Obituary of Professor Robb 1969

Scott, Sir George Gilbert; (1811-1878) pupil of Robert Smirke. Noted for ecclesiastical work. Albert Memorial 1864, St. Pancras Station and Hotel, Glasgow University 1868. RA 1861. Knighted in 1872
Plans:
Bute Hall (with J. Oldrid Scott) 1878
Hunterian Museum 1868
New College Buildings 1860-68

Skirving, Alexander; (?-1919) Chief Draughtsman of Alexander ‘Greek’ Thomson
Plans:
Blackie & Co workshops alterations, Stanhope Street 1883-95

Spence, Sir Basil; (1907-1976)
Plans:
Natural Philosophy Department extensions (I, II, III) 1941-47
Hunterian Museum conversion (proposals) 1950

Stark, William; (1770-1813) regarded as the pioneer of the ‘Greek’ revival in Scotland
Plans: Hunterian Musuem, Old College c1807
Building Types

**Banking**

Western Bank of Scotland; bankers, Glasgow, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 84)
Edinburgh; Airdrie; Miller Street, Glasgow; Biggar; Dunoon and Cathcart Street, Greenock branches 1845-59

**Factories**

Finlay, James & Co Ltd; textile manufacturers, tea planters and merchants, Glasgow, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 91)
Improvements to jute factories in India 1880-1910

Baird, William & Son Ltd; bridge engineers and structural steel erectors, Glasgow, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 138)
Plans of machine shops 1918-53

Redpath Dorman (GUAS Ref: UGD 299)
Contracts and enquiries, mostly industrial buildings
eg extensions at Leyland Motors (Bathgate) and BSC Ravenscraig 1930s-80

**Distilleries**

Bunnahabhain Distillery; whisky distillers, Islay, Argyll & Bute, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 218)
Distillery buildings, manager’s house

Glenrothes-Glenlivet Distillery; whisky distillers, Rothes, Moray, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 220)
Distillery, warehouses, stores and cottages 1962-69

Allied Distillers (GUAS Ref: UGD 306)
Distillery buildings, shops, cottages at Laphroaig, Tormore and Ardmour distilleries. Includes drawings by McCombie & Mennie; Thomson McCrea & Sanderson 1897-1960s

**Retail**

Army & Navy Stores Ltd; department store, London, England
Plans of depots c.1900
Online Catalogue: [http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c0512](http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c0512)

Cavendish House Co Ltd; department store, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, England and London, England
Plans of store and proposed alterations 1872-c.1955
Online Catalogue: [http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1536](http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1536)

Howell, James & Co Ltd; department store, Cardiff, Wales
Drawings of new store 1927
Online Catalogue: [http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1649](http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1649)

Walsh, John Ltd; department store, Sheffield, England
Department store alterations 1897, 1951
Online Catalogue: [http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1660](http://www.housefraserarchive.ac.uk/company/?id=c1660)
Leisure

Lanark Racecourse Holdings Co Ltd; racecourse managers, Lanark, South Lanarkshire, Scotland (GUAS Ref: UGD 126)

Plans for alterations to wooden stand by George Arthur & Son, Airdrie 1945-46

Mackenzie & Moncur Ltd, hothouse builders, heating engineers and iron founders, Edinburgh, Glasgow and London (GUA Ref: UGC 118)

Certificates of Incorporation, Memoranda of Association 1894-1934
Minutes of Directors Meetings 1959-1975
Minutes of Annual General Meetings 1894-1958
Lists of attendees of Directors meetings 1953-1974
Lists of attendees of General meetings 1904-1974
Register of Directors' share holdings and interests 1944
Share registers & transfer books 1895-1934
Stock transfer form 1972
Company accounts 1894-1898
Letters of consent to purchase Mackenzie Brothers 1904
Copy of Edinburgh Gazette newspaper 1972
Works cost books 1895-1904
Royal trading warrants 1892-1911
Staff salary books 1906-1965
Illustrated catalogues of company products 1900-1950s
Lists of the company's patrons 1909-1920s
General publications relating to Mackenzie and Moncur Ltd 1900-1979
Photograph (woodworking section) c 1970
Photographic plates of hothouses 1930s
Brass nameplate (Mackenzie & Moncur Ltd) c 1930s.

Photographs

There are photographs of buildings within the University collection (ask for the PHU list) and within most of the business collections. We also have a collection of photographs of Scottish industrial buildings deposited by Professor John Hume, Industrial Archaeologist (GUAS Ref: UGD 292).