This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri, Research Center-Columbia. If you would like more information, please contact us at research@shsmo.org.

**Dates:** 1943-2010  
**Creator:** Western Historical Manuscript Collection  
**Collection Size:** 17.7 cubic feet, 2 audio tapes, 4 computer discs, 4.33 GB of digital files

**Introduction**  
Records of the organization include correspondence, reports, event files, space planning materials, photographs, materials on the National Women and Media Collection, and miscellaneous administrative material.

**Organizational Sketch**  
The Western Historical Manuscript Collection (WHMC) was founded by the University of Missouri in 1943 partially through a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation. Elmer Ellis was instrumental in its establishment and W. Francis English became its first director. In 1963, WHMC became a joint collection with the State Historical Society of Missouri (SHSMO). SHSMO transferred management of its manuscript collections to WHMC and the two collections were housed together in Ellis Library. WHMC was funded by the university but was administratively under SHSMO. Collections donated to the manuscript collection could either be donated to the university or to SHSMO.

After the University of Missouri expanded to four campuses in 1968, WHMC also expanded and eventually opened branches on each campus, with St. Louis being the first. Kansas City and Rolla branches were established in 1980. Patrons could request materials from any branch be transferred for use at any of the other WHMC locations. Both WHMC and SHSMO operated as a University System departments.

In January 2011, the university decided to fully merge WHMC with SHSMO. The university contracted with SHSMO for SHSMO to manage the university’s portion of the joint manuscript collection and the WHMC name was dropped. University-owned collections continue to be owned by the university.

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Guide to Collections, 1985
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