

LSUS Northwest Louisiana Archives
Noel Memorial Library

Types of Archival Material

The Archives houses and services to the public the following materials, which do not circulate and must be used in the Archives Reading Room during regular service hours.

Archival Collections

Collections of primary source materials on Northwest Louisiana history. Letters, diaries, ledgers, minutes, reports, manuscripts, scrapbooks, etc. documenting families, businesses, organizations, governmental agencies, clubs, etc. significant to Northwest Louisiana. Finding aids: Guide to Archives and Manuscript Collections, Archives card catalog, and collection inventories.

Louisiana Collection

Special Collection of secondary source material (books, magazines, pamphlets, etc.) by Louisiana authors or about Louisiana topics. Cataloged on the computer through LOUIS and serviced through the Archives.

Vertical Files

Newspaper clipping files on topics relating to Northwest Louisiana. The date range within these files cover circa 1978 and continue through 1990. All vertical file citations from 1991 to the present for the Shreveport Times are available online in the Indexes. Finding aid: Archives card catalog.

Oral History

Oral history interviews document 20th century regional history where written records are not available and supplement significant archival collections. Tapes and transcripts are available. For an alphabetical listing of the oral histories currently in our collection, see the Oral History Collection. Finding aid: Archives card catalog.

Photograph Collection

The Archives houses of 20,000 cataloged photographs and 200,000 negatives that document the visual heritage of Northwest Louisiana, 1890s to the present. Finding aid: Archives card catalog.

Map Collection

The Archives houses hundreds of maps of Louisiana, Northwest Louisiana, Shreveport, Bossier, Red River, and area lakes, early 1800's to present. Finding aid: Archives card catalog.

Newspapers

The Noel Memorial Library, Microforms and Media Department houses a large number of Louisiana newspapers on microfilm. A listing is available in the Archives.

Newspaper Index

The Archives has indexed the Shreveport Times from 1871-1899. A list of topics and citations is available in the Archives.

Faculty, Thesis, and Rare Books

Books and articles by LSUS faculty, MLA theses, and rare books are cataloged through LOUIS and serviced through the Archives.