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**Department of Scandinavian Studies. Collection of the Department
of Scandinavian Studies, 1969-Ongoing.**

GACA Collection 281

Department of Scandinavian Studies. Collection of the Department of Scandinavian Studies, 1969-Ongoing. GACA Collection 281. 1 ½ Hollinger boxes.

ABSTRACT:

The Department of Scandinavian Studies collection contains correspondence, reports, newsletters, clippings, and administrative materials. Faculty, in this department, teach both Swedish language courses, and courses in English regarding Scandinavian literature, culture, history, and art.

HISTORICAL NOTE:

Swedish language courses have been taught at Gustavus Adolphus College since 1880. A time when all courses were taught in either English or Swedish. In 1971, thanks to seed money from the Scandinavian American Foundation, the Scandinavian Area Studies program at Gustavus was born. The program was intended to have both Swedish language courses and courses in English regarding Scandinavian literature, culture, and art. In 1982, the Scandinavian Studies department was created, and the Swedish language courses, along with its professors, moved out of the Foreign Languages department.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection is divided into two series.

Roland Thorstenson's Department History consists of materials organized by Scandinavian Studies Professor Emeritus Roland Thorstenson. Materials include correspondence, reports, press clippings, and musings by Thorstenson.

Department Materials has department overviews, external review reports, newsletters, clippings, and other materials transferred from the Scandinavian Studies department.

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RELATED COLLECTIONS IN THE ARCHIVES:

For information on the Scandinavian Yuletide Breakfast see: Collection of American Scandinavian Breakfasts, 1978-Ongoing. GACA Collection 405.

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Gustavus Adolphus College. Department of Scandinavian Studies.

Gustavus Adolphus College. Scandinavian Area Studies.

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"Scandinavian Studies at Gustavus, 1970-2010", 2017	1	1
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1972, Progress Reports; Grant Requests; Peace Studies; Proposed Major; Request for Additional Staff	1	4
1973, Inventory of Resources; Grant Request; Progress Report to SAF; SWE/SCA Curriculum; Junior Year at Uppsala University; Cooperation with the Swedish Institute, Stockholm	1	5
1974, Sjölundén; Swedish House; HEW Grant	1	6
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2007-10, Strategic Plan; Retirement Talks	1	20
Miscellaneous, 1990, 1991, 2000, 2016	2	1
Department Materials, 1969-2019		
Department Overviews, 1982-83, 2018-19, and undated	2	2
External Review Reports, 1987 and undated	2	3
Newsletters, 1979 and 2011-12	2	4
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