

## Overview

**Title:** George La Noue papers  
**Call Number:** Coll207  
**Creator:** LaNoue, George R.  
**Dates:** circa 1964-2013  
**Size:** 5 boxes (4.5 linear feet)  
**Language:** English  
**Abstract:** Research files collected by Dr. George La Noue for the production of his book, "Improbable Excellence: The Saga of UMBC" (2016). Materials include draft chapters, newspaper clippings, reports, oral histories, self-generated studies, and departmental records documenting the founding and development of the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC). Other subjects include relations between UMBC, the state, and other Maryland educational institutions; departmental development; athletics; and institutional finances.  
**Citation:** George La Noue papers, University Archives, Collection 207, Special Collections, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Baltimore, MD).

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## Administrative/Biographical Note

Dr. George La Noue, professor emeritus of Public Policy and Political Science, joined the faculty of UMBC in 1972. He completed his M.A. (1961) and Ph.D. (1966) degrees from Yale University. La Noue has written and taught on the areas of education policy, constitutional law and policy, and public procurement policy.

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## Scope & Content

### Arrangement

This collection is arranged into three series: Series I. Chapters. Series II. Oral Histories. Series III. Supporting Documents.

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## Provenance Information

### Provenance and Acquisition Information

Donated by Dr. George La Noue, UARC 2015-21.

### Processing Note

Collection rehoused, arranged, and described in 2016 by graduate assistant Tucker Foltz with assistance from Archivist Lindsey Loeper. Several publications were removed from the collection, including books from the Library collection or university publications. In each case, document removal forms were completed.

### Descriptive Rules Used

Describing Archives: a Content Standard (DACS)

[Archives Processing Manual: Description \(2015\)](#): The processing manual used in Special Collections for

all descriptive platforms, including PastPerfect.

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## Access & Use

### Finding Aids

Container list available

Finding Aid: <http://library.umbc.edu/speccoll/findingaids/coll104.php>

### Access Conditions

No restrictions.

### Conditions Governing Reproductions and Use

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## Subject Headings

### Creators

LaNoue, George R.

University of Maryland, Baltimore County

### Subjects

University of Maryland, Baltimore County -- History

University of Maryland (System)

University of Maryland, Baltimore County -- Archives

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## Series Description & Container List

### Series I. Chapters

**Date:** 1850 - 2014

**Extent:** 2.5 boxes (2.5 linear feet)

**Description:** Contained in this series are written drafts and the research material for George La Noue's book, *Improbable Excellence: the Saga of UMBC*. The collection came in binders separated by chapter and the folders follow this arrangement containing chapters 1 - 13.

| Folder Title/Description         | Date              | Box # | Folder # | Additional Info. |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------|----------|------------------|
| Chapter 1: The Founding (1 of 3) | 1975 - 2012       | 1     | 1        |                  |
| Chapter 1: The Founding (2 of 3) | 1850, 1972 - 2011 | 1     | 2        |                  |

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|-----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|----|
| Chapter 1: The Founding (3 of 3)              | 1962 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 3  |
| Chapter 2: Forever Politics (1 of 5)          | 1966 -<br>2013                   | 1 | 4  |
| Chapter 2: Forever Politics (2 of 5)          | 1971 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 5  |
| Chapter 2: Forever Politics (3 of 5)          | 1978 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 6  |
| Chapter 2: Forever Politics (4 of 5)          | 1974 -<br>2011                   | 1 | 7  |
| Chapter 2: Forever Politics (5 of 5)          | 1978 -<br>2009                   | 1 | 8  |
| Chapter 3: Developing a Campus (1 of 3)       | 1957 -<br>2011                   | 1 | 9  |
| Chapter 3: Developing a Campus (2 of 3)       | 1968,<br>1995 -<br>2013          | 1 | 10 |
| Chapter 3: Developing a Campus (3 of 3)       | 1987 -<br>2011                   | 1 | 11 |
| Chapter 4: Administrative Leadership (1 of 4) | 1971 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 12 |
| Chapter 4: Administrative Leadership (2 of 4) | 1986 -<br>2004                   | 1 | 13 |
| Chapter 4: Administrative Leadership (3 of 4) | 1993 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 14 |
| Chapter 4: Administrative Leadership (4 of 4) | 1993 -<br>2012                   | 1 | 15 |
| Chapter 5: Budgets and Benefactors (1 of 5)   | 1990 -<br>2013                   | 2 | 1  |
| Chapter 5: Budgets and Benefactors (2 of 5)   | 1980,<br>1997 -<br>2011          | 2 | 2  |
| Chapter 5: Budgets and Benefactors (3 of 5)   | 2009 -<br>2013                   | 2 | 3  |
| Chapter 5: Budgets and Benefactors (4 of 5)   | 1977,<br>1986,<br>1996 -<br>2012 | 2 | 4  |
| Chapter 5: Budgets and Benefactors (5 of 5)   | 1986,<br>1996 -<br>2012          | 2 | 5  |
| Chapter 6: Faculty                            | 1966 -<br>2013                   | 2 | 6  |
| Chapter 7: Departmental Research (1 of 4)     | 1977 -<br>2012                   | 2 | 7  |
| Chapter 7: Departmental Research (2 of 4)     | 1981 -<br>2012                   | 2 | 8  |
| Chapter 7: Departmental Research (3 of 4)     | 1977 -<br>2014                   | 2 | 9  |
| Chapter 7: Departmental Research (4 of 4)     | 1983 -<br>2014                   | 2 | 10 |
| Chapter 8: Students (1 of 6)                  | 1987 -<br>2012                   | 2 | 11 |
| Chapter 8: Students (2 of 6)                  | 1966 -<br>2014                   | 2 | 12 |

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| Chapter 8: Students (3 of 6)     | 1967 -<br>2012 | 2 | 13 |
| Chapter 8: Students (4 of 6)     | 1983 -<br>2011 | 2 | 14 |
| Chapter 8: Students (5 of 6)     | 1989 -<br>2012 | 2 | 15 |
| Chapter 8: Students (6 of 6)     | 1992 -<br>2015 | 2 | 16 |
| Chapter 9: The Arts (1 of 3)     | 1990 -<br>2012 | 3 | 1  |
| Chapter 9: The Arts (2 of 3)     | 1973 -<br>2009 | 3 | 2  |
| Chapter 9: The Arts (3 of 3)     | 1998 -<br>2012 | 3 | 3  |
| Chapter 10: Athletics (1 of 3)   | 1985 -<br>2011 | 3 | 4  |
| Chapter 10: Athletics (2 of 3)   | 1968 -<br>2014 | 3 | 5  |
| Chapter 10: Athletics (3 of 3)   | 1987 -<br>2013 | 3 | 6  |
| Chapter 11: Service              | 1990 -<br>2012 | 3 | 7  |
| Chapter 12: 2011-2012 (1 of 4)   | 1974 -<br>2014 | 3 | 8  |
| Chapter 12: 2011-2012 (2 of 4)   | 1993 -<br>2014 | 3 | 9  |
| Chapter 12: 2011 - 2012 (3 of 4) | 2010 -<br>2012 | 3 | 10 |
| Chapter 12: 2011 - 2012 (4 of 4) | 1974 -<br>2011 | 3 | 11 |
| Chapter 13: Conclusions (1 of 2) | 2009 -<br>2013 | 3 | 12 |
| Chapter 13: Conclusions (2 of 2) | 1978 -<br>2013 | 3 | 13 |

## Series II. Oral Histories

**Date:** 2009 - 2013

**Extent:** .25 boxes (.25 linear feet)

**Description:** Contained in this series are oral histories conducted by George La Noue. Interviewees included Kathy Zerlaut, Elizabeth Walton, Carol Hess, Sam McCready, Dick Watts, David Yager and Aurthor Johnson. Folder 15 contains 11 audio CD's of the interviews. The collection came in one folder and contents were kept in order. Oral histories were also added to the Oral History collection, Collection 55.

| Folder Title/Description | Date           | Box # | Folder # | Additional Info. |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------|----------|------------------|
| Interviews (1 of 3)      | 2011 -<br>2012 | 3     | 14       |                  |
| Interviews (2 of 3)      | 2009 -<br>2013 | 3     | 15       |                  |
| Interviews (3 of 3)      | 2009 -<br>2013 | 3     | 16       |                  |

### Series III. Supporting Documents

**Date:** 1955 - 2013

**Extent:** 1.75 boxes (1.75 linear feet)

**Description:** Contained in this series are supporting documents from George La Noue's research. Some contents were received in binders and some were loose, contents were kept in the order that they came.

| Folder Title/Description                               | Date             | Box # | Folder # | Additional Info. |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|----------|------------------|
| Engineering (1 of 3)                                   | 1984 - 1990      | 3     | 17       |                  |
| Engineering (2 of 3)                                   | 1991 - 1992      | 3     | 18       |                  |
| Engineering (3 of 3)                                   | 1993 - 2002      | 3     | 19       |                  |
| UMBC History (1 of 2)                                  | 2004 - 2010      | 4     | 1        |                  |
| UMBC History (2 of 2)                                  | 1993 - 2009      | 4     | 2        |                  |
| Middle States Review (1 of 2)                          | 1991             | 4     | 3        |                  |
| Middle States Review (2 of 2)                          | 1991             | 4     | 4        |                  |
| USM Merger (1 of 3)                                    | 1992, 2011       | 4     | 5        |                  |
| USM Merger (2 of 3)                                    | 1984 - 2011      | 4     | 6        |                  |
| USM Merger (3 of 3)                                    | 1992, 2011       | 4     | 7        |                  |
| University Politics (1 of 3)                           | 1977 - 1987      | 4     | 8        |                  |
| University Politics (2 of 3)                           | 1987 - 1988      | 4     | 9        |                  |
| University Politics (3 of 3)                           | 1988             | 4     | 10       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Barker - Jeffries (1 of 3)    | 2002 - 2003      | 4     | 11       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Barker - Jeffries (2 of 3)    | 2003 - 2005      | 4     | 12       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Barker - Jeffries (3 of 3)    | 2006             | 4     | 13       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Kuhn and Kuhn/Schamp (1 of 2) | 1994, 2001, 2004 | 4     | 14       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Kuhn and Kuhn/Schamp (2 of 2) | 2001, 2006       | 4     | 15       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Korenman - Rothstein (1 of 2) | 2003, 2006       | 4     | 16       |                  |
| Oral History Interviews: Korenman - Rothstein (2 of 2) | 2001 - 2006      | 4     | 17       |                  |
| Retention                                              | 2004 - 2006      | 4     | 18       |                  |
| UMBC Data (1 of 3)                                     | 1979 - 2009      | 4     | 19       |                  |
| UMBC Data (2 of 3)                                     | 1969 - 2007      | 4     | 20       |                  |

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| UMBC Data (3 of 3)                          | 1976,<br>1989 -<br>2009 | 4 | 21 |
| Retreiver Weekly Research Notes             | 1968 -<br>2004          | 5 | 1  |
| MIPAR Reports                               | 1987,<br>1989           | 5 | 2  |
| UMBC Memorbilia                             | 1986 -<br>1997          | 5 | 3  |
| University Development                      | 1967 -<br>2012          | 5 | 4  |
| Hrabowski Fall Opening Speeches 1994 - 2012 | 1994 -<br>2012          | 5 | 5  |
| UMBC Founders Group Interview 2001          | 1967 -<br>2001          | 5 | 6  |
| UMBC 2013 Rereat Documents                  | 2003 -<br>2013          | 5 | 7  |
| Library Addition (Phase III)                | 1980 -<br>1995,<br>2011 | 5 | 8  |
| Bohan Commission                            | 2009 -<br>2011          | 5 | 9  |
| Appendix                                    | 2013                    | 5 | 10 |
| Sumler Paper                                | circa<br>1988 -<br>1995 | 5 | 11 |
| UMBC Library Files                          | 2009 -<br>2011          | 5 | 12 |
| Reports                                     | 1955 -<br>1988          | 5 | 13 |