Retiring? Weeding Office Files? Moving your Department?

Ensure that your historical records become a part of the institutional memory of UAMS. Contact archivist Suzanne Easley in the UAMS Library (easleymyra@uams.edu or 686-6882) to find out if inactive office files or other items of historical value are appropriate for transfer to the university archives collection of the Historical Research Center.

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Examples of materials collected by the UAMS Library Historical Research Center

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- Records of governing bodies, administrative, or academic units of the University (annual reports, correspondence, meeting minutes, organizational charts, summary statistical information, subject files, planning documents)
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- Publications of the University or its individual units (newsletters, catalogs, syllabi, handbooks, histories, etc.)
- Records & publications of UAMS organizations of students, faculty, staff, & alumni
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