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Policy on Records Retention

Responsible Administrator: Vice President of Academic Affairs

Responsible Office: Academic Affairs

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POLICY STATEMENT

Claflin University has a responsibility to ensure that records and documents are adequately maintained and to ensure that records no longer needed or of minimal value are destroyed in accordance with Federal, State, or Claflin University policies. The University also has a responsibility to preserve its history through its records.

All records produced or received by Claflin University in the course of official business are the property of Claflin University. Each department may decide when records should be transferred to the University Archives, in accordance with the South Carolina General Records Retention Schedule for State Colleges and Universities. Files must be transferred to the University Archives as originally arranged, as the organization of the files reflects the functions and activities of the office of origin. Each department transferring records to the University Archives will receive an inventory of the transferred records. Records transferred to the University Archives are available to the public and the Claflin University community unless access has been restricted by the office of origin or the President of the University. When records become inactive and are ready to be transferred to the University Archives, the Library Director and the University Archives must be notified. Arrangements must be made by the office of origin to transfer records to the University Archives. Records documenting the development or activities of Claflin University cannot be destroyed without approval from the appropriate Vice President, the President or the Office of Academic Affairs. Destruction of records must also be arranged by the office of origin. Destruction of records must be in accordance with the South Carolina General Records Retention Schedule for State Colleges and Universities/established Claffin University policies and procedures.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This policy establishes guidelines for the retention of Claflin University records. Records may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Accreditation Reports
- Meeting Minutes, including Faculty Meeting Minutes, Departmental Meeting Minutes, Special Committee Meeting Minutes
- Annual Reports
- Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes
- Building plans and Blueprints
- Institutional Self Studies
- Organizational Charts
- Photographs documenting University functions, events and activities
- Programs from University events and activities
- Records management plans
- Speeches from Commencement, Convocations, and other University functions
- Publicity and promotional materials produced by the University and the Office of Public Relations
- Senior Theses and Portfolios (open for discussion)
- University and Department/School Conferences, Lectures, Workshops and Seminars

<u>APPLICABILITY</u>

This policy applies to all records created or produced in the course of Claflin University's operations, including both original documents and reproductions. In addition, this policy applies to records stored on computer and microfilm.

RETENTION SCHEDULE

The charts below provide details regarding records by area and type along with their retention dates for Claflin University. When the prescribed retention period for records are met, the University Archivist or another designated official of the H.V. Manning Library will direct disposal of the records.

Human Resources

Type of Record	Retention Date	
Personnel File	Permanent/ Shirley Biggs, Director of	
	Human Resources, 803-535-5268	
Benefits File	Permanent/ Shirley Biggs, Director of	

	Human Resources, 803-535-5268	
I-9	1 year after termination/ Shirley Biggs,	
	Director of Human Resources, 803-535-	
	5268	
Tuition Remission	1 year after termination/ Shirley Biggs,	
	Director of Human Resources, 803-535-	
	5268	
Recordkeeping Form - Binder	5 years / Shirley Biggs, Director of	
	Human Resources, 803-535-5268	
Monthly Invoices/E-Requisitions	5 years / Ellen Easterlin, HR Asst/HRIS	
	Specialist, 803-535-5517	
TEA's - Binder	5 years / Shirley Biggs, Director of	
	Human Resources, 803-535-5268	
Leave Form	3 years after termination / Shirley Biggs,	
	Director of Human Resources, 803-535-	
	5268	
Employee Relations Files	Until final disposition of the charge or	
	action or until lawsuit is over plus 1 year.	
	/ Shirley Biggs, Director of Human	
	Resources, 803-535-5268	
Worker's Compensation Files	Duration of employment plus 30	
	years/Betty Johnson-Pringle, Human	
	Resources Generalist, 803-535-5420	

Fiscal Affairs

Type of Record	Retention	Contact
Financial Records	Seven (7) years	Mr. J. deLeon McDuffie,
		Vice President for Fiscal
Interpretation of records		Affairs
retention policy		
		803-535-5413
Grants and contracts	Three (3) years	Vice President for Fiscal
		Affairs, 803-535-5413
Grants accounting records		
		Office of Sponsored
		Programs, 803-535-5540
		Grants Accountants 803-535-
		5373
Payroll Records	Seven (7) years	Payroll Manager, 803-535-

		5415
Litigation or audit records	Not destroyed	Vice President for Fiscal
		Affairs 803-535-5413
Legal retention/litigation		Initial inquiry to Vice
		President for Fiscal Affairs
		Emma Ruth Brittain, Esq.
		University Counsel
Records storage		Tingley (Sr. Administrative
		Assistant, Fiscal Affairs, 803-
		535-5473)
		Electronic imaging and
		offsite storage (Assistant
		Vice President for
		Information Technology,
		803-535-5326)
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		Physical offsite storage
		(Director of Auxiliary
		Services, 803-535-5470)

Student Services

Type of Record	Retention Date	Contact Person
Office of Admissions	Students who enroll records	Mr. Michael Zeigler, Director
	are transferred over to the	of Admissions
	Enrollment Office.	803-535-5340
	Students who do not enroll	
	or denied admissions	
	records are kept for one year	
	and then destroy by	
	shredding.	
Office of Student Financial	Three (3) years	Ms. Terria C. Williams,
Aid		Director of Financial Aid
		(803)535-5720
Enrollment Office	Indefinitely	Ms. Roe Berter W. Hunt,
	-	Registrar
		803-535-5471

Student Health Services	Records must be maintained	Juliette D. Satterwhite, RN
	for at least six (6) years after	803-535-5328
	the last clinical contact, and	
	must be maintained for an	
	additional (2) two years in	
	the event of a death. All	
	records must be released to	
	the client upon request.	
	Reference: HIPAA	
	Regulation dated Feb 3, 2010	
	and American Health	
	Information Association.	
	Records must be shredded	
	or burned by university	
	records management office.	
Counseling Services	Records are retained for	Sadie D. Jarvis, Director of
	seven (7) years, then	Counseling
	destroyed by shredding.	803-535-5285
Judicial Records	Records are retained for five	Dr. Leroy Durant, VP
	(5) years, then destroyed by	Student Development and
	shredding.	Services
		803-535-5341

Note: If an office or individual has any doubt if a record should be retained, it should consult with the University Archivist or another appropriate authority of the H.V. Manning Library before destroying any records.

