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Scope and Content of Papers

The records of the Bridgeport Engineering Institute (BEI) contain papers and records from the school's beginning in 1924 until 1994 when it merged with Fairfield University and would eventually become its School of Engineering. Comprised primarily of print-based material, there are numerous identified and unidentified photographs, limited A/V material, and some memorabilia.

Series One BEI Administration 1925-1998

Series One is comprised of administrative files in good condition. Primarily print materials, some published materials and photographs are included. Users will find typed correspondence, memos, directories, meeting minutes, and speeches. Also included are published institutional reports and handbooks, as well as documents relating to BEI's merger with Fairfield University. There are also files of the BEI Council of Fellows, and some commencement materials including identified and unidentified photographs.

Series Two BEI Course Catalogs and Offerings 1929-1990

Series Two is published course catalogs and offerings from the years 1929-1996. Most are in good condition but materials from 1929-1945 are in fragile condition. Coverage is incomplete.

Series Three BEI History

Materials in **Series Three** relate to the early history of the school. Included are secondary materials mentioning the early program as well as the industrial history of the City of Bridgeport. A biography of Avery Churchill Everett, the unit director of a Northeastern College program that preceded BEI is included, as is a resume of Arthur E. Keating, first president of BEI. Additionally, there are bound catalogues from Northeastern College and its affiliated schools covering the years 1920-1922.

Series Four BEI Publications/Special Events

Series Four includes published newsletters of BEI, its alumni association, and its library. Also found in the series are materials from special events including flyers, programs, correspondence, and identified and unidentified color photographs. Users will also find photocopied collections of poems from BEI poetry readings.

Series Five BEI Library 1988-1989 Contents of large "BEI LIBRARY" binder

Series Five is the contents of a large binder of typed and handwritten records pertaining to the administration of the BEI Library including documents regarding gifts to the Library, staffing, NEASC evaluation, and programs.

Series Six BEI Alumni Association 1931-1990s

Series Six is made up of records of the BEI Alumni Association. In addition to lists of officers and directories, are notebooks with correspondence and meeting minutes covering the years 1931-1998 (incomplete). There are also memos, correspondence, invitations, as well as identified and unidentified photographs from alumni events including teas, dinner dances, and picnics.

Series Seven BEI Publicity and Scrapbooks

Series Seven includes newspaper press clippings arranged by year in binders, folders, and scrapbooks. Most are in good condition, however older scrapbooks covering the years 1938-1943 are fragile. There is also a file of typed press releases from 1993.

Series Eight BEI Miscellaneous

Series Eight includes the miscellaneous papers of BEI alumni Joseph Hajla. Mr. Hajla was very active in the BEI Alumni Association. Also included are some print-based materials of Phyllis Gustafson, member of BEI Board of Trustees. A binder of BEI administration documents includes surveys of students and alumni, notes on faculty backgrounds and salaries, lease agreements, and insurance documents. There are also some identified and unidentified photographs.

Series Nine BEI Photographs

Series Nine is comprised of photographs, both color and black and white, identified and unidentified. Photographs are from graduation ceremonies, dinners, teas, other events, and some classrooms. Also, photographs of faculty and staff, pictures from BEI's 50th and 60th anniversaries, and a folder of photographs from a July 1968 testimonial to BEI President Arthur H. Keating (1924-1970). While many are sorted in binders by year, several photographs of varying sizes are still in photo-processing envelopes, some include negatives.

Series Ten BEI Plaques and Framed Photographs

Found in **Series Ten** are framed photographs and plaques, including awards and certificates, some of which are oversized. Additionally there is audio/visual material and some memorabilia.

Series Eleven BEI African-American Engineers/Inventors Poster Series

Series Eleven includes a series of posters about African-American engineers and inventors, as well as some BEI memorabilia.

Series Twelve - Objects

At present, the only object in **Series Twelve** is a cast iron embosser of the BEI seal made by Schwerdtle Imaging Devices.

Series Thirteen BEI History Slide Presentation and Notes

Series Thirteen includes a set of slides used for a presentation on the history of BEI in 1993. The slides are accompanied by a set of handwritten index cards that appear to represent either an early draft of the presentation's contents or notes to be used by the speaker.

These materials were extant in the Fairfield University Archives as of 2003, arranged in three different slide carousels. The slides themselves may not be in their original order, but the current storage folders record this division by carousel. Some slides are stamped with specific dates in July or September of 1993.

The slide show credits indicate that the presentation was researched and produced by Michael J. Bielawa, BEI Library Director as of 1993 (Box 5, Folder 2). It appears likely that he is the creator of most of the BEI History materials contained in Box 5. Michael Bielawa subsequently worked for the Bridgeport Public Library in the capacities of Community Relations Librarian and Youth Service Librarian. He is also the author of several works of local history, including *Bridgeport Baseball* (2003) and *Wicked Bridgeport* (2012).

Sources: Amazon.com, "Michael J. Bielawa," <u>https://www.amazon.com/stores/author/B007AT3Z60</u>; Bridgeport Library, "Donnybrook: The Battle of Bull Run, 1861," *C-SPAN*, 22 November 2004, <u>https://www.c-span.org/video/?179482-1/donnybrook-battle-bull-run-1861</u>; Bridgeport Library, "Bridgeport History Center: Michael Bielawa," <u>https://bportlibrary.org/hc/author/michael-bielawa/</u>.

Historical Note

Summary

The Bridgeport Engineering Institute (BEI) opened in 1924, offering a four-year evening course of study on the fundamentals of mechanical engineering to part-time, evening students. Local industry leaders with practical field experience served as instructors. BEI was a tuition-driven institution that never owned property; instead, they rented classroom and lab space in various local high schools and factories. During WWII, BEI participated in the Engineering, Science, and Management War Training (ESMWT) program, offering college-level coursework to over 6000 men and women in Fairfield County over the course of four years. Over time, BEI would expand its offerings to include electrical engineering, industrial engineering, and manufacturing engineering. For the first few decades BEI offered a certificate in mechanical engineering; later an associate's degree in 1959 and a bachelor's degree in 1963. A journeyman/apprentice method was a key hallmark of BEI's approach to the study of engineering, blending daytime work experience with evening education. BEI grew steadily over the years and reached its peak enrollment in 1981 with 1000 students. In 1994, Fairfield University acquired BEI as the foundation for its School of Engineering.

Origin and Development of the School

During World War I (1914-1918), it was possible for civilian young men in Connecticut to take college courses through an extension program offered by Northeastern College (later Northeastern University) out of Boston, Massachusetts. These courses were offered in many locations throughout Massachusetts and Connecticut. The program continued after the war and in 1919, these courses were offered in Bridgeport, Connecticut's YMCA. Among other subjects, the Northeastern program provided "creditable courses" in mechanical engineering. When Northeastern decided to end this satellite program in 1924 to focus on its Boston campus, a group of students in the Bridgeport area prevailed upon their instructors for help in finishing their course work. Guided by program faculty member Dr. Arthur Keating, a manager at Bridgeport Hardware Manufacturing Corporation, the instructors agreed. The Bridgeport Engineering Institute was born, offering a four-year diploma in mechanical engineering. The goal was to provide a thorough grounding in this branch of the disicipline, leaving specialization for later graduate work. Dr. Keating drew together leaders from nearby companies such as General Electric, Bridgeport Brass Company, and Bullard Machine Tool Co., to form the Board of Directors and serve as instructors. Under Keating's leadership, the Board decided that BEI should incur no debt and operate on funds from tuition only. BEI owned no buildings and made no capital expenditures. Over time, BEI would expand its offerings to include electrical engineering, industrial engineering, and manufacturing engineering.

Dr. Keating believed BEI's instructors should come from local industry and teach on subjects in which they had years of experience. Many instructors and students worked together in local factories during the day and studied together in the evening. Often they would bring workplace issues to the night time classes as part of study projects. This journeyman/apprentice method was a key hallmark of BEI's approach to the study of engineering, blending daytime work experience with evening education. Having no capital expenditures, BEI rented local classrooms and used the finest laboratories of Bridgeport's key factories. Many students would go on to hold top positions in these same factories.

By 1926, BEI had 16 faculty members and a yearly budget of \$10,000. Tuition was \$75/year and payable in three installments. During WWII, BEI participated in the Engineering, Science, and Management War Training (ESMWT) program offering college-level coursework to over 6000 students in Fairfield County. This government sponsored program educated and prepared people to help meet the urgent need for technical and science workers during wartime. BEI continued to grow steadily, first offering only a diploma but eventually an associate's degree in 1959 and a bachelor's degree in 1963. Most students took three classes a semester, three nights a week for 50 weeks a year, all while working five days a week. BEI reached its peak enrollment in 1981 with 1000 students.

Presidents

Dr. Arthur E. Keating served as president of BEI from its start in 1924 until his death in 1970. Dr. William J. Owens was president of the Institute from 1970 until his retirement in 1986. Dr. William Krummel would lead BEI until it merged with Fairfield University officially in 1994.

Locations

Because BEI did not own property, it rented local classrooms and never had a permanent home. BEI was centered at Central High School in Bridgeport until moving to Warren Harding High School in 1946. BEI relocated to Sacred Heart University in 1972, but as the university grew, it needed the space and BEI had to move again, this time to Warde High School and then to Ludlowe, both in Fairfield. In addition to these main locations, BEI offered classes in many Fairfield County communities including Norwalk, Stamford, and Danbury.

The Merger with Fairfield University

After reaching a peak enrollment of 1000 students in 1980, BEI enrollment began to decline during the 1980s. Rapid technology, growth in computers and robotics made it difficult for tuition income to continue supporting the school. In 1986, BEI administration and alumni began fundraising to help with improvements in computers, software, and the creation of a school library, but it wasn't enough. Deep cuts to defense spending and the migration of heavy industry out of state were changing the once industrial nature of Fairfield County. Deciding BEI needed a permanent home for its mission of engineering education, the Board of Directors agreed to merge with Fairfield University in 1994 and help start its School of Engineering. Initially, engineering courses were offered at Fairfield in the evening to part-time students, just as BEI had done during its decades-long history. Dr. Kummel served as dean of the BEI School of Engineering through this transition period.

In 1995, Dr. Evangelos Hadjimichael was named acting dean of the school. Hadjimichael had joined the Fairfield University Faculty in 1967 as Assistant Professor, following his Ph.D. studies in theoretical nuclear physics at the University of California, Berkeley, and a two-year postdoctoral research position at Yale University. He was promoted to associate professor at Fairfield in 1970, was tenured in 1972 and reached the rank of full professor in 1974. His career at Fairfield during this time centered on teaching, research, and departmental administration; in addition, he was named the Elizabeth DeCamp McInerney professor in 1987, and also chaired the Physics Department from 1985 to 1995.

According to a Fairfield University press release from 2010, it was Hadjimichael who first alerted the Fairfield Unversity administration about the possibility of merging with BEI. After a short tenure as acting dean, he was appointed Dean of the school in 1995. During Hadjimichael's tenure the school grew into a more robust program with classes available during the day as well as evening. The school offered a master's degree in 1998, and the engineering program became available to full-time

undergraduate students in 1999. The 1998-1999 course catalog officially dropped the name BEI from the school's official title. Hadjimichael remained Dean of the School of Engineering until 2010, when he retired from administrative work to go on sabbatical and then resume teaching. That same year 2010, he was inducted as a Bridgeport Engineering Inistitue (BEI) fellow. According to a 2010 press release celebrating the event, Harvey F. Hoffman, Ed.D., director of the School's Management of Technology program, credited Hadjimichael with carrying on a proud tradition of service to BEI, noting he was "an ideal person to lead the integration of the newly merged school into the Fairfield University fold."

BEI Timeline

- 1924 Bridgeport Engineering Institute (BEI) founded
- 1924 BEI moves from YMCA to Central High School
- 1931 BEI Alumni Association (BEIAA) formed
- 1941 BEI begins participation in Engineering, Science, and Management War Training Program
- 1946 BEI moves to Warren Harding High School
- 1959 BEI licensed to grant Associates Degree in engineering
- 1963 BEI is licensed to grant Bachelor of Science degrees
- 1970 Dr. Arthur Keating, BEI President dies
- 1970 Dr. William Owens becomes BEI President
- 1972 BEI moves to Sacred Heart University
- 1981 BEI peak enrollment of 1000 students
- 1985 Moves to Warde High School
- 1986 Dr. William Krummel becomes BEI President
- 1987 Moves to Ludlowe Campus
- 1992 BEI Council of Fellows (BEICF) formed
- 1994 Merger with Fairfield University
- 1995 Dr. Evangelos Hadjimichael named acting dean of BEI School of Engineering at Fairfield University
- 1998 Master of Science offered in engineering
- 1998 BEI dropped from the name of the School of Engineering
- 1999 Engineering courses offered to students full-time
- 1999 School of Engineering becomes a separate undergraduate school

Sources for Historical Note

Information from Records of the Bridgeport Engineering Institute (BEI) 1924-1994:

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- Folder 2 BEIAA Nighthawk 1 of 2 1974-1984
- Folder 3 <u>BEIAA Nighthawk</u> 2 of 2 1985-1994

Additional Sources from the Fairfield University Archives:

- BEI School of Engineering Undergraduate Course Catalog 1994-1995
- Fairfield University Undergraduate Course Catalog 1997-1998
- Fairfield University Undergraduate Course Catalog 1998-1999
- Fairfield University Undergraduate Course Catalog 1999-2000
- Fairfield Now Winter 1999
- Fairfield University Office of Institutional Research Fact Book 2016-2017

Web Sources:

 McCaffrey, Meg, "Fairfield University's School of Engineering Dean Evangelos Adjimichael named prestigious Bridgeport Engineering Inistitute (BEI) Fellow", Fairfield University Press Release, Vol. 42, No. 319, June 29, 2010. https://www.fairfield.edu/lassochannel/press/pr_index/index.lasso?id=2764 During the years after the merger, various alumni of BEI continued to foster a sense of tradition for the school. The University Archives would like to recognize BEI alumnus Joseph L. Hajla, who received his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1978 and also served as Assistant to the Dean of the School of Engineering. During his years at Fairfield University and until his passing in 2013, Mr. Hajla remained a touchstone for BEI history, and regularly volunteered his knowledge and expertise to the University Archives to preserve BEI's legacy as part of its shared history with the School of Engineering.

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5	7	BEI Bridgeport High School 1925 First Official Home of BEI
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5	10	BEI Whiteside, William B. The Boston YMCA and Community Need: A Century's Evolution, 1851-1951
5	11	BEI Churchill, Everett A. History of Northeastern University 1896-1927

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5	17	BEI "A City Goes To War: A Case Study of Bridgeport CT 1914-1917"
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5	19	BEI Danbom, David B. "The Agricultural Extension System And The First World War." The Historian. February 1979. Vol. XLI No. 2 315-331
5	20	BEI Rohfeld, Rae Walil. "Preparing World War I Soliders For Peacetime: The Army's University In France." Adult Education Quarterly. Summer 1989 Vol 39 No. 4, 187-198
5	21	BEI Capen, Samuel P. "The Effect Of The World War 1914-1918 on American Colleges and Universities." The Educational Record. January 1940 Vol. XXI No. 1. 40-48
5	22	BEI Brubacher, John s. "Higher Education in Transition: A History Of American Colleges and Universities, 1636-1968 (Note: p. 125 YMCA's influence)
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14	2	BEI Graduation Photos 1970s
14	3	BEI Graduation Photos 1976
14	4	BEI Commencement Speaker Jerry Keuper Photograph 1976-10-13
14	5	BEI Graduation Photos 1980s
14	6	BEI Alumni Association Dinner Dance 3 Doors Restaurant 1984-11-2
14	7	BEI Alumni Association Dinner Dance Photographs 1989
14	8	BEI Graduation Photos 1990s
14	9	BEI Graduation Photos undated
15	1	BEI Miscellaneous Photographs various years
15	2	BEI Miscellaneous Photographs 1980s-1990s
15	3	BEI Miscellaneous Photographs 1990s
15	4	BEI Nighthawk Photographs Summer 1991
15	5	BEI Miscellaneous Photographs 1970s, 1980s, 1990s
15	6	BEI Miscellaneous Photographs 1990s

SERIES 10: BEI Plaques and Framed Photographs			
Box No.	Item No.	Item Description	
16	1	CT State Board of Education Certificate of Approval 1947	
16	2	American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers Certificate of Affiliate Membership	
16	3	Framed copy of drawing McAuliffe Hall and History	
16	4	Alpha Pi Mu Faculty Membership Arthur E. Keating 1960	
16	5	NEASC Certificate of Accreditation BEI	

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Box No.	Item No.	Item Description
16	6	BEI Fellows at Fairfield Annual Meeting November 1997
16	7	CT Quality Council BEI School of Engineering Fairfield University Membership
16	8	Florida Institute of Technology Arthur E. Keating Congratulations 1969
16	9	Sacred Heart University William J. Owen honorary degree Doctor of Laws
16	10	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. BEI Student Branch 1980
16	11	CT State Board of Registration Arthur E. Keating Professional Engineer Registration 1936
16	12	BEI Honor Society Arthur E. Keating honorary award 1964
16	13	Society for Advancement of Management Arthur Keating membership 1963
16	14	American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers appreciation award Arthur E. Keating
16	15	BEI Alumni Association honorary life membership Dr. William J. Owens 1979
17		Miscellaneous BEI Materials and A/V Material
17	1	"The Door to Your Future" VHS tapes, ¾" video master tapes (4)
17	2	Audio cassette tapes BEI I-95 (radio) WRKI 1989 (2)
17	3	3 1/2" Diskette "Fairfield University, BEI Archives"
17	4	School of Engineering Sikorsky medal 2001
17	5	BEI United Technology Sikorsky medal 1994
17	6	Guest Book 1990s
17	7	BEI Council of Fellows Faculty Tea 2006-04-30 framed photograph
17	8	Society of American Value Engineers citation BEI 1968
17	9	Society of Women Engineers award Fairfield University 2006
17	10	Memphis Area Chamber of Commerce Cotton Pickin' Admiral Joseph McNamara 1967

SERIES 11: African-American Engineers/Inventors Poster Series			
Box No.	Item No.	Item Description	
18	1	A series of eleven (11) posters about African-American engineers and inventors	
18	2	Miscellaneous BEI memorabilia (oversized)	

SERIES 12: Objects		
Box No.	Item No.	Item Description
19	1	Cast Iron Embosser for BEI Seal (made by Schwerdtle Imaging Devices)

SERIES 13: BEI History Slide Presentation and Notes		
Box No.	Item No.	Item Description
20	1	BEI History Slide Presentation, Index Cards, c. 1993
20	2	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #1 (1 of 2), 1993
20	3	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #1 (2 of 2), 1993
20	4	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #2 (1 of 3), 1993
20	5	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #2 (2 of 3), 1993
20	6	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #2 (3 of 3), 1993
20	7	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #1 (1 of 2), 1993
20	8	BEI History Slide Presentation, Carousel #1 (2 of 2), 1993