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# Newton Shultis Papers

ca.1880-1938 (*Bulk:* 1893-1896)

10 boxes (10 linear feet)

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Newton Shultis: studio portrait as a cadet., Massachusetts Agricultural College, ca. 1892

## Inventory

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Baseball Association - Massachusetts Agricultural College

1896

Box 1: 1

Cards, programs - Massachusetts Agricultural College

1896, 1920

Box 1: 2

Captain Walter Mason Dickinson commemoration

1928

Box 1: 3

Correspondence

1893-1894

Box 1: 4

Notebook - Agriculture

1894-1895

Box 1: 5

Notebook - Entomology

ca.1895

Box 1: 6

Notebook - typed Government essay

ca.1896

Box 1: 7

Photographs - Clark, Penhallow, Penn Brooks, and Wheeler with Japanese students, Hokkaido Class of 1880

ca.1890

Box 1: 8

**Photographs - Shultis**

1892-1918

Box 1: 9

**Photographs - Shultis**

1894-1896, 1938

Box 1: 10

Photographic printing - copper plate of MAC Cadets

ca.1896

Box 1: 11

School books

1894-1921

Box 2

Books from Shultis's time as a student at MAC, some with brief notes from that time period or from his re-readings in 1919-1921. Books include: Genung's "Practical Elements of Rhetoric," Hedges's "Common Sense in Politics," Martin's "The Human Body," and Royce's "The Hope of the Great Community."

**Glass plate negatives - Shultis**

1894

Box 3

Class of 1896 photograph album

1896

Box 4

Herbarium

ca.1895

Box 5-7

Cadet's uniform

ca.1895

Box 8-9

Box 8 is cadet hat, belt, and bayonet scabbard; and box 9 is jacket and pants.

Graduation gown

ca.1895

Box 10

**Photographs - Shultis**

1896

Box 10: 1

Clippings, decorations, notes

ca.1896

Box 10: 2

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## Administrative information

### Access

The collection is open for research.

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### Processing Information

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