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Administrative History
The department of Physical Education, which changed its name to the Athletics Department in 1925, was established in 1923 when the construction of Alumni Gymnasium provided Loyola with a place to offer athletic activities. The Athletics Department was responsible for both intercollegiate and informal sporting activities. In 1987 departmental responsibilities were separated, thus creating two departments – the Department of Recreational Sports, which handled informal, intramural, and club activities, and the Department of Athletics, which handled only intercollegiate athletics. This division originally came into existence in 1948 when the position of director of Intramural Athletics for Lewis Towers was created. To reflect this change, the Department of Athletics was renamed the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics in 1996.

From 1925 to 1936, the Athletics Department operated under the supervision of the Faculty Governing Board for Athletics. The Governing Board was responsible for policies, athletic awards, hiring coaches, appointing managers, and arranging schedules. During this period the department was overseen by a director of athletics or faculty moderator of athletics. The title “director of athletics” has been in constant use since
1932. In 1937, the board was changed to the Committee on Athletics, with the same responsibilities; and in 1950 the University Athletic Board was created. Today the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics and the Department of Recreational Sports are part of the Division of Student Affairs and the director of athletics reports to the Vice President of Student Affairs.

**Scope and Content**
These records consist of .25 linear feet spanning the years 1924 to 1947. They include win-loss records of collegiate sports (compiled from sources at the archives); correspondence and programs; and contracts. The majority of these records concern the football program at Loyola, including the December 5, 1930, press release announcing the suspension of inter-collegiate football. Four photographs of Daniel J. Lamont, football coach, were removed to the University Archives Portrait Collection.

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