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**Inventory of the
David Higgs fonds**

Inventory #F0571

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Fonds/Collection Number: F0571

Title: David Higgs fonds

Dates: 1973-2003, predominant 1973-1984

Extent: 0.22 m of textual material
10 photographs : col. ; 35.4 x 28 cm.

**Biographical Sketch/
Administrative History:** David Higgs (1939-2014), was a historian and scholar focusing on various topics of social, political, religious and cultural history as well as queer studies, particularly in relation to France, Portugal, Brazil and Canada. Born in Rugby, England, his family moved to British Columbia when he was young. He earned a joint B.A. in French and History from UBC in 1959, an MA in History from Northwestern University in 1960, and a PhD in History (under the supervision of Alfred Cobban) from the University of London in 1964. He taught as a professor of history at the University of Toronto, publishing such works of scholarship as "Ultraroyalism in Toulouse: From its Origins to the Revolution of 1830" (1973), "Nobles in nineteenth century France: the Practice of Inegalitarianism" (1987) (translated in French as "Nobles, titres, aristocrates apres la Revolution, 1800-1870"), "A Future to Inherit: The Portuguese Communities of Canada", co-written with Grace M. Anderson (1976), "Church and Society in Catholic Europe of the eighteenth century" (1979 with Bill Callahan), "Portuguese migration in global perspective" (1990) and "Queer Sites: gay urban histories since 1600" (1999), which he edited. In 1998 he started the first LGBTQ (Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Queer) undergraduate seminar given in the History department under the title "Historians and Sexual Dissidents." He also taught courses on urban studies. Retiring in 2004, Higgs continued his work and participation in scholarly communities in Portuguese Studies and French History. David Higgs passed away October 20, 2014, survived by his partner Kaoru Kamimura.

Scope and Content: Fonds consists of research notes, newspaper clippings, reports, publications, correspondence, and photographs pertaining to Portuguese emigration and the Portuguese experience in Canada compiled by Professor Higgs in connection with his scholarly work and teaching on Portuguese history and his collaborative work with Grace Anderson.

**Restrictions on
Access and Use:** There are no restrictions on access.

Finding Aid: File list is available.

URL of Finding Aid: <http://archivesfa.library.yorku.ca/fonds/ON00370-f0000571.html>

Accruals: The fonds comprises the following accessions: 2010-018. Further accruals may be expected.

Related Records: See the Domingos Marques fonds (F0573) for related material.

**Immediate source of
acquisition:** Donated by David Higgs in 2009.

Provenance Access Points: Higgs, David, 1939-
Anderson, Grace M., 1923-