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LMU Profile

Private, mid-sized university

Only Jesuit University in SoCal

Undergraduate students: 6612

Graduate students: 2099

Law School students: 9295

LMU Digital Collections Profile

- Digital collections: 7 years old
- Total digital objects: 9628
- Digital Asset Management System: CONTENTdm
- No restrictions on access
Collaboration

- Strategic initiative for library
- Calisphere + on-ramp to DPLA
- DPLA only works with content/service hubs
- Smaller institutions cannot participate in DPLA by themselves
Loyola Marymount University, Department of Archives and Special Collections, William H. Hannon Library

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Collections at this institution

America’s West

Photographs from the J. D. Black Papers, Loyola Marymount University, recording the American West in the Owens Valley of California from 1875 to 1930. This collection depicts the people of the valley and their rural way of life centered on small towns, farming, ranching, and mining. Represented as well are the neighboring mining towns in Nevada, closely connected economically and socially to the Owens Valley. Noteworthy also are the photographs of the water wars of the 1920s between Los Angeles and the Owens Valley, the defining moment in the modern history of the valley.

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Other collaboration
Usage Statistics: 2015-2016

Total number of hits across 15 collections (~2000% increase in hits in the last 12 months)

Number of hits by collection

Top 5 accessed collections (May 2016)
### Top 5 Collections Accessed in May 2016

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