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# **Summary information**

**Repository:** Dalhousie University Archives

**Title:** Howard Murray fonds

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Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada.

## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

Howard Murray was a prominent Nova Scotian educator. He was born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia on July 17, 1859 to George and Mary (Patterson) Murray. Murray taught school in Pictou and was later appointed principal of Stellarton High School, Guysboro County Academy, and New Glasgow High School. From 1876 to 1880 he studied at Dalhousie University, where he was awarded the Gilchrist Scholarship which enabled him to pursue further studies at the University of Edinburgh and University College, London.

Murray returned from England with his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1887 to teach classics at Dalhousie and Halifax County Academy. In 1891 he was appointed principal of the Academy, a position he held until 1894 when he was hired as professor of Classics at Dalhousie. In 1901 he was appointed dean of Dalhousie and in 1907 he received an honorary doctorate from the University of Toronto.

From 1906 to 1926 Howard served on the Nova Scotia Advisory Board of Education, including six years as chairman. He was also chairman of the Advisory Board of the Royal Military College of Kingston, Ontario and between 1909 and 1921 he was a member of the Conservation Commission of Canada. He was twice president of the North British Society, a member of the United Church of Canada, and an elder of St. Matthew's Church.

Murray passed away on September 9, 1930, survived by his wife Janet (Hattie) Murray.

## **Custodial history**

The materials were accessioned by Dalhousie University Archives in 1972 and 1976. The records of the 1972 accession, which comprises the teaching contract, were previously in the custody of Reverend

Donald M. Sinclair, minister of Halifax's Fort Massey Church (1948-1969). The custodial history of the 1976 accession is unknown.

## Scope and content

Fonds comprises an early teaching contract (1878), handwritten notes on Nova Scotia high school curriculum revisions, and a published pamphlet of opinions on proposed provincial curriculum reform (ca. 1906).

#### **Notes**

#### Title notes

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#### Other notes

• **Publication status**: Published

## **Access points**

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- Curriculum reform (subject)
- Dalhousie University--People (subject)
- Education--Nova Scotia (subject)
- Pamphlets (subject)
- Personal archives (subject)
- Professors (subject)
- Universities and colleges--Faculty (subject)

• Halifax (N.S.) (place)

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