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University libraries and archives often have a mandate to document and preserve institutional history. The resulting collections are incredibly diverse as they reflect the different stories institutions want to tell about themselves and their evolution over time.

Forum supports the management, description, and delivery of institutional history collections of all sizes and media types, allowing for easy integration into special project sites, coursework, research, and marketing materials. Here is just a sampling of the many notable projects made possible by JSTOR Forum.



Nebraska Wesleyan Forum Speakers: Barack Obama, Community Revitalization, 1994. Image courtesy of Nebraska Wesleyan University.



Drawing Class, c. 1896. Image courtesy of Pratt Institute Libraries' Archives, Rare Book, and Special Collections.

## Nebraska Wesleyan University Forum Speakers 1986-1995

This archive highlights famous guest speakers on campus, creating an accessible record of one-of-a-kind events that also serves as a recruitment tool, promoting the institution's history of vibrant campus life and programming. Recordings of each lecture are made available along with descriptive metadata about the event and an image of the speaker.

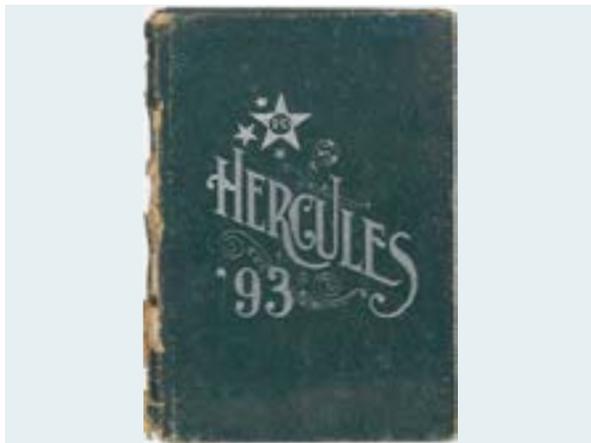
## Pratt Institute Archives Image Collection

The photographs, postcards, and other images in this collection document the influential creative output of the Institute, which has stood since 1887 as an important cultural and educational presence in Brooklyn and the greater New York area. The focus is mainly on objects from the late-19th through the mid-20th centuries and features images of the campus grounds and buildings; official events and activities; student life and work; and notable individuals, including the Institute's founder and his family.

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Hercules, 1893. Image courtesy of Illinois College Yearbooks.



Two men standing in front of a truck, Morrisville, c. 1944. Image courtesy of Brooklyn College Archives and Special Collections.

## Illinois College Yearbooks

Illinois College has made PDF versions of their yearbooks available as both a source of historical knowledge about the school for alumni and school historians, and as a testament to its enduring mission and spirit. The yearbooks preserved show changes over time, with late 19th century yearbooks named Hercules and Cerberus, through to Rig Veda (Sanskrit for “the sacred spirit”), as well as a 1940s flirtation with The Rig. In each case users can download the full-length yearbook.

## Brooklyn College: Farm Labor Project

This collection does a great job of documenting an important chapter in an institution’s history. In WWII, Brooklyn College, along with several other city universities, recruited students for the Farm Labor Project to help with the war effort by picking fruits and vegetables in upstate New York. A secondary benefit was the exposure of city students to country life. The program ran throughout the war and 300 students took part, both men and women, working farms in Red Hook, New York (1942), and Morrisville, New York (1943-1944).

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