Robert E. Cook Honors College; Record Group 105
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Historical Note
The Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) is named for alumni Robert E. Cook, a native of Altoona, Pennsylvania. The Robert E. Cook Honors College offers an innovative, four-semester core curriculum. These core courses are designed to hone critical thinking skills while providing a survey of the most important writings in several disciplines. In a traditional sense, the honors curriculum fulfills a classic goal of the university experience. For more information about the Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), visit http://www.iup.edu/honors/.

Robert E. Cook earned a BS degree from Indiana State College (IUP) in 1964 and an MBA from George Washington University. He is a Distinguished Graduate of IUP and was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 2000. Cook endowed the Honors College in 1993 with the largest donation in the history of IUP and he has continued to support the Robert E. Cook Honors College. The Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indiana University of Pennsylvania is housed in Whitmyre Hall. Robert E. Cook once stated that “Part of the Honors College learning experience is to extend your personal horizons beyond what you have known. We encourage our students to travel and study in other countries, and we try to arrange those opportunities for them.”

Scope and Content Note
This collection contains publications and office files from the Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) housed in Whitmyre Hall. To see additional Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement programs go to Record Group 35 Commencement Series A Box 3. For examples of Honors Convocation programs at IUP visit Record Group 41 Convocations Box 1 Series II.

Provenance
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2. Honors College Convocation, 1993
3. Honors College Correspondence, 1994
4. Honors College Newsletter, June 1995
   a. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement, IUP Class of 2000 (1:46:00)
   b. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement, IUP Class of 2001 (1:37:00)
7. *IUP Magazine* cover story “Honors College Founder Bob Cook Celebrates Ten
   Graduating Classes,” Summer 2009
8. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement Programs, 2012-2013
   a. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement, May 11, 2012 (2 copies)
   b. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement, May 17, 2013 (2 copies)
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10. Robert E. Cook Honors College Commencement Program, May 12, 2017

Series II: Honors Convocations (see Record Group 41 Box 1 Series II)
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