

FALKIRK ARCHIVES

Falkirk Technical College / Falkirk College of Technology Finding Aid

Administrative History

Stirlingshire Education Authority opened Falkirk Technical College in 1963. It was formed from the merger of the County Trades School, Burnbank Foundry Trades Centre, Blackbraes Further Education Centre and the County Mining Institute. There was a large scale expansion in 1973. The college was set up to provide further and adult education. By the 1970s it was offering SCE courses, CGLI, HND and HNC and later it offered courses up to degree standard. In the 1980s it offered degrees under the CNAA and from the 1990s was able to offer degrees in its own right. SQA National Courses replaced SCE, SCOTVEC and CGLI courses in the late 1990s.

Further Education was the responsibility of County Education Authorities until 1975 and this responsibility transferred to regional Council Education Departments in 1975 during local government re-organisation. On 1 April 1993, Further Education Colleges became independent of local authorities and were thereafter run by a Board of Management. Falkirk Technical College was re-named Falkirk College of Technology in the 1980s and then Falkirk College of Further and Higher Education. In 2005 Falkirk College merged with Clackmannanshire College to become Forth Valley College

The College was built on soft glacial boulder clay which required piles over 30m deep.

Scope & Contents Note

Prospectuses, handbooks administrative files, photo albums and plans.

Related records include plans and records of the County Trades School, Falkirk and Mining Institute, Falkirk, both of which were merged into Falkirk Technical College.

<i>Reference No</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>
A851.001	1967-1970	Minute book of Falkirk Technical College Board of Managers
A851.002	1970-1973	Minute book of Falkirk Technical College Board of Managers
A851.003	1973-1975	Minute book of Falkirk Technical College Board of Managers
A2119.001	1964-1965	Prospectus
A2119.002	1966-1967	Prospectus
A2119.003	1967-1968	Prospectus
A2119.004	1968-1969	Prospectus
A2119.005	1969-1970	Prospectus - Building
A2119.006	1969-1970	Prospectus - Commerce & Business Studies
A2119.007	1969-1970	Prospectus - Chemistry, General Studies & Mathematics
A2119.008	1969-1970	Prospectus - Engineering, Foundry & Mining
A2119.009	1970-1971	Prospectus - Building
A2119.010	1970-1971	Prospectus - Commerce & Business Studies
A2119.011	1970-1971	Prospectus - Chemistry, General Studies & Mathematics
A2119.012	1970-1971	Prospectus - Engineering, Foundry & Mining
A2119.013	1970-1971	Prospectus - Full-time Courses
A2119.014	1971-1972	Prospectus - Building

A2119.015	1971-1972	Prospectus - Commerce & Business Studies
A2119.016	1971-1972	Prospectus - Chemistry, General Studies & Mathematics
A2119.017	1971-1972	Prospectus - Engineering, Foundry & Mining
A2119.018	1971-1972	Prospectus - Full-time Courses
A2119.019	1972-1973	Prospectus - Building
A2119.020	1972-1973	Prospectus - Commerce & Business Studies
A2119.021	1972-1973	Prospectus - Chemistry, General Studies & Mathematics
A2119.022	1972-1973	Prospectus - Engineering, Foundry & Mining
A2119.023	1972-1973	Prospectus - Full-time Courses
A2119.024	1975-1976	Index of Courses. Contains information on College Council and governance, list of senior staff, calendar and courses.
A2119.025	1975-1976	Sessional Arrangements. Contains class times and dates with holidays.
A2119.026	1976-1977	Index of Courses. Contains information on College Council and governance, list of senior staff, calendar and courses.
A2119.027	1970s	Leaflet folder containing leaflets on Department of Commerce and Business Studies courses.
A2119.028	1979-1980	Index of Courses. Contains information on College Council and governance, list of senior staff, calendar and courses.
A2119.029	1979-1980	Prospectus - Full-time courses
A2119.030	1983-1984	Index of Courses. Contains information on College Council and governance, list of senior staff, calendar and courses.
A2119.031	1985-1986	Prospectus
A2119.032	1985-1986	Sessional Arrangements. Contains class times and dates with holidays.
A2119.033	1986-1987	Prospectus
A2119.034	1987-1988	Prospectus
A2119.035	1988-1989	Day Prospectus
A2119.036	1988-1989	Evening Prospectus
A2119.037	1988-1989	Draft Day Prospectus
A2119.038	1989-1990	Day Prospectus
A2119.039	1989-1990	Evening Prospectus
A2119.040	1990-1991	Evening Programme Guide. Lists courses available.
A2119.041	1990-1991	Full-time Synopsis. Leaflet listing full-time course available. Also includes blank application form for Session 1989-90
A2119.042	1994-1995	Prospectus
A2119.043	1995-1996	Prospectus
A2119.044	1996-1997	Prospectus
A2119.045	1997-1998	Prospectus - Full-time
A2119.046	1997-1998	Prospectus - Stirling Centre for Further Education. (Opened January 1998)
A2119.047	1998-1999	Prospectus - Full-time
A2119.048	1998-1999	Prospectus - Stirling Centre for Further Education. (Opened January 1998)
A2119.049	1998-1999	Course leaflet - School of Motor Vehicle & Welding Fabrication
A2119.050	1999-2000	Prospectus - Full-time
A2119.051	1999-2000	Prospectus - Stirling Centre for Further Education. (Opened January 1998)
A2119.052	1964-1965	Student's handbook of Information and Regulations
A2119.053	1965-1966	Student's handbook
A2119.054	1967-1968	Student's handbook
A2119.055	1968-1969	Student's handbook
A2119.056	1969-1970	Student's handbook
A2119.057	1970-1971	Student's handbook

A2119.058	1977-1978	Student's handbook
A2119.059	1985-1985	Student's handbook
A2119.060	2003-2004	Staff handbook and diary
A2119.061	01 Jan 1998	Reaching Forth. Booklet on history of founding of Stirling Centre for Further Education.
A2119.062	06 Sep 1963	Programme: official opening of Falkirk Technical College by Michael Noble, MP, Secretary of State for Scotland.
A2119.063	1963	Falkirk Technical College construction souvenir pamphlet. Contains lists of principal contributors including Architect, Consulting Engineers and Principal Contractors along with contractors, plans and description of building and functions.
A2119.064	1963	Arrangements for official opening. Includes details of menu, arrangements and plans showing parking arrangements
A2119.065	1963	Press cuttings relating to opening of Falkirk Technical College
A2119.066	Spring 1963	The Kelvin: Magazine of the South of Scotland Electricity Board. Includes article on Falkirk Technical College.
A2119.067	1968	Papers relating to construction of extension. Includes plan
A2119.068	09 Nov 1973	Programme for official opening of extension of Falkirk Technical College by Prince Richard of Gloucester. Contains details of construction and photos of building.
A2119.069	1973	Arrangements for official opening of extension. Includes card for coffee in cafeteria and notes on College.
A2119.070	22 Nov 1982	Programme for official opening of Middlefield Block by Councillor Michael Kelly, Chairman of Central Regional Council Education Committee and Chairman of Falkirk College Council
A2119.071	1982	Middlefield Block, Falkirk College of Technology. Pamphlet with description of building
A2119.072	1989	Published booklet: Falkirk College of Technology. 25 years of further education and training in Central Region, 1963-1988
A2119.073	1989	25th Anniversary of Falkirk College. Menu from celebration dinner and invitation to dinner; Open Day programme; and staff information bulletin
A2119.074	1991-1992	Development Plan
A2119.075	1992-1993	Development Plan - two draft versions.
A2119.076	1993-1996	Development Plan
A2119.077	1997-2000	Development Plan
A2119.078	1990-1991	Lecturing Staff Structure - two iterations, April and July 1991.
A2119.079	1991-1992	Lecturing Staff Structure as at Apr 1992.
A2119.080	1990s	Internal telephone directories (2). Show staff names and departmental structure.
A2119.081	1970	Metrication and You. Publication developed by working party of Falkirk Technical College to assist adoption and use of SI units with formulae and explanations of typical calculations using decimal currency, metric linear and volume units, mathematical notation, temperature and other SI units.
A2119.082	Oct 1974	Bulletin from Education Committee of County of Stirling describing secondary curriculum development
A2119.083	1962-1966	Advertisements for initial teaching, administrative and support staff.
A2119.084	1962-1967	List of advertisements for teaching posts, job descriptions of

A2119.085	1964	some posts and analysis of adverts for teaching posts. Falkirk Technical College HMI Inspection, 2-6 Nov 1964. Contains notes and evidence including lists of employers sending students to College, information about library. Students' association, lists of staff with personal details (restricted under data Protection Act until 1 Jan 2030), timetables, examination statistics and wastage.
A2119.086	1964	Falkirk Technical College HMI Inspection, 2-6 Nov 1964. Engineering Department Statistics. Includes personal details of part-time staff (restricted under data Protection Act until 1 Jan 2030)
A2119.087	1980s?	Constitution and function of Board of Management of Falkirk Technical College
A2119.088	1964	Principal's Report
A2119.089	1965	Principal's Report, Programme with lists of awards, order of proceedings
A2119.090	1966	Principal's Report, Programme with lists of awards, order of proceedings, unused sample prize winner's certificate and list of invitations issued.
A2119.091	1967	Principal's Report and Order of Proceedings
A2119.092	1968	Principal's Report, Programme with lists of awards, order of proceedings, unused sample prize winner's certificate, invitation and papers relating to arrangements for ceremony with correspondence.
A2119.093	01 May 1965	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 1
A2119.094	01 Oct 1965	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 2
A2119.095	01 Nov 1965	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 3
A2119.096	01 Mar 1966	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 4
A2119.097	01 Jun 1966	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 5
A2119.098	01 Nov 1966	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. No 6
A2099.001	Nov 1966	Ragbag. The Students' Magazine. Contains poems, stories, crosswords and information about student events.
A2119.099	1944-1962	"History of the proceedings in the life of the County Trades School as recorded by the press and otherwise" Album containing press cuttings and photographs
A2119.100	1962	Press cuttings relating to construction of Falkirk Technical College
A2119.101	1963	Press cuttings relating to official opening of Falkirk Technical College
A2119.102	27 Sep 1962	Press cutting - "Tangible evidence in the upward trend of technical education"
A2119.103	1962-1982	Press cuttings relating to student activities, College developments and miscellaneous further education information. Also includes 1969 Falkirk Herald supplement on the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Bainsford works of British Aluminium Co.
A2119.104	1962-1982	Miscellaneous publicity folders and leaflets.. Includes leaflet for OND in Science at Falkirk Technical College, part of larger leaflet with map showing location of main building and Park St building, Report of a working party (including Dr

		Easton) of the Scottish Association for National Certificates and Diplomas on General Studies and retiral evening programme, nd and menu from dinner, 26 Apr 1966.
A2119.105	1950s	Stirling County Council application form for bursary for Voluntary further education (whole-time). Loose insert with A2119.103
A2119.106	1963	Three designs for proposed coat of arms for Falkirk Technical College with copy correspondence from Lyon Court.
A2119.107	1958	Plan. Falkirk Technical College. 1/16th plans, elevations and sections. Drawing No 48
A2119.108	1969-1972	Plans for extension of College. A: Proposed alterations and extensions, 19 Dec 1969. B: Draft plan of ground floor of new South East Wing, March 1970 (2 copies); C: Proposed alterations & extensions to workshops, May 1970. D: proposed alterations & extensions to workshops, May 1970. E: Plans & elevations nd; F: Working drawing of ground floor of new South East Wing, Feb 1971; G: Fitments details (Electrical Dept) Jan 1972 with covering letter.
A2119.109		Copy of plan of Mining College, Park St, Falkirk
A2119.110	[07 Feb 1944]	Copy of plan of Science & Art school, Falkirk
A2119.111	[1957]	Copy (faded) of plan of Falkirk trades School
A2119.112	1997	Photo album record of construction of new block at Falkirk College.

Related records

A997/1961/2523	01 Jul 1961	Proposed Cookery Room Extension at Falkirk Technical College, Location Plan, Plan, Plan of Multion Section of Eaves, Elevation Section A-A
A1320.005	1977	Pamphlet for an exhibition to mark 100 years of the Chemical Industry in Central Scotland, set up by the Stirlingshire and District Section of the Chemical Society at Falkirk College of Technology. Contains a history of each firm taking part in the exhibition.
A1453.001	1969-1970	File concerning Falkirk Technical College Extension, including minutes of a meeting with representatives of the Scottish Education Department and representatives of Stirling County Council, also including Memorandum by Director of Education containing proposals concerning the accommodation required at the college, also copy letter from the County Architect to Stirling county Director of Education concerning different proposals for the extension of the college, also letters from various contractors and suppliers to the County Architect

Falkirk Trades School

A2119.113	Aug 1944- Jan 1964	Admission Register, County Trades School
A310.001	28 Feb 1911	Lecture with lime-light lantern views delivered to Carronshore Continuation Classes (Mining Section) on Carronshore School, on "Faults met with in Coal Mining in

A310.002	1911	Scotland" Lantern slides for lecture with lime-light lantern views delivered to Carronshore Continuation Classes (Mining Section) on Carronshore School, on "Faults met with in Coal Mining in Scotland"
A1052.010	Jan 1986	Inspection of Standards and Quality of Falkirk College of Technology. Inspected in January 1986.
A1238.001	Jan 1944	Ground floor plan of Woodside Home as existing prior to it becoming Falkirk Trades School, scale 1:96
A1238.002	Jan 1944	First floor plan of Woodside Home as existing prior to it becoming Falkirk Trades School, scale 1:96
A1238.003	Jan 1944	Second floor plan of Woodside Home as existing prior to it becoming Falkirk Trades School, scale 1:96
A1238.004	Feb 1944	First floor plan of proposed Falkirk Trades School, scale 1:96
A1240.001	Jun 1971	Plan of ground for water board at and adjoining former Falkirk Trades School, scale 1:96 also location plan, scale 1:2500

A726.001	(1940s)	Instruction leaflet for the Daynes Portable CO2 Testing Equipment. See FALKM 1986-038-010
A726.002	Aug 1957	Descriptive leaflet of a Winder Protection Type C Lilly Controller. Contains details of the machine functions and a breakdown of the parts. Also included is a diagram of a display board, a letter explaining the diagram (Aug 1967) and a typed diagram and explanation of a melling controller. See FALKM 1986-038-007
A726.003	Mid 20th Century	Instruction pamphlet for muldivo mentor machine. Includes description of the machine. See FALKM 1986-038-009
A726.004	Jul 1969	Instruction book for a Facit 1004 calculating machine. Includes description of the machine and examples of its use. See FALKM 1986-038-011
A726.005	Mid 20th Century	Instruction pamphlet for operating the proto two hour self contained oxygen breathing apparatus. Includes demonstration photographs. See FALKM 1986-038-006
A726.006	Mid 20th Century	Leaflet describing purpose, working principle and installation of the ringrose methane recorder. Also includes a letter to Mr James Cowan who requested information on the machine. See FALKM 1986-038-0016
A726.007	Feb 1965	Advertising pamphlet with description and labelled diagram of the automatic firedamp detector and alarm produced by English Electric. Also includes letter to a Mr Peebles who had enquired about purchasing one for his mine. See FALKM 1986-038-0021
A726.008	Oct 1965	Instruction pamphlet with operating and maintenance instructions for the automatic firedamp detector and alarm produced by the English Electric Company. Also included is a wired diagram of the machine. See FALKM 1986-038-021