

**NUCMC
AND ACCESS TO
AFRICAN AMERICAN
ARCHIVAL COLLECTIONS IN
NORTH CAROLINA**

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The logo for the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections (NUCMC) features the letters 'NUCMC' in a blue serif font. The 'M' is stylized with a red, cursive-like flourish that extends to the right, overlapping the 'C'. The background of the logo is a light-colored, textured surface with faint, handwritten text in a cursive script.

National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections

What is NUCMC?

A free-of-charge cooperative cataloging program operated by the Library of Congress, the National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections (NUCMC) creates online records in OCLC WorldCat on behalf of eligible archival repositories throughout the United States.

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- ▶ Part 1, 2011 ("A Southern Confederacy will be Formed!")

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From the Repositories *Recent Collections*

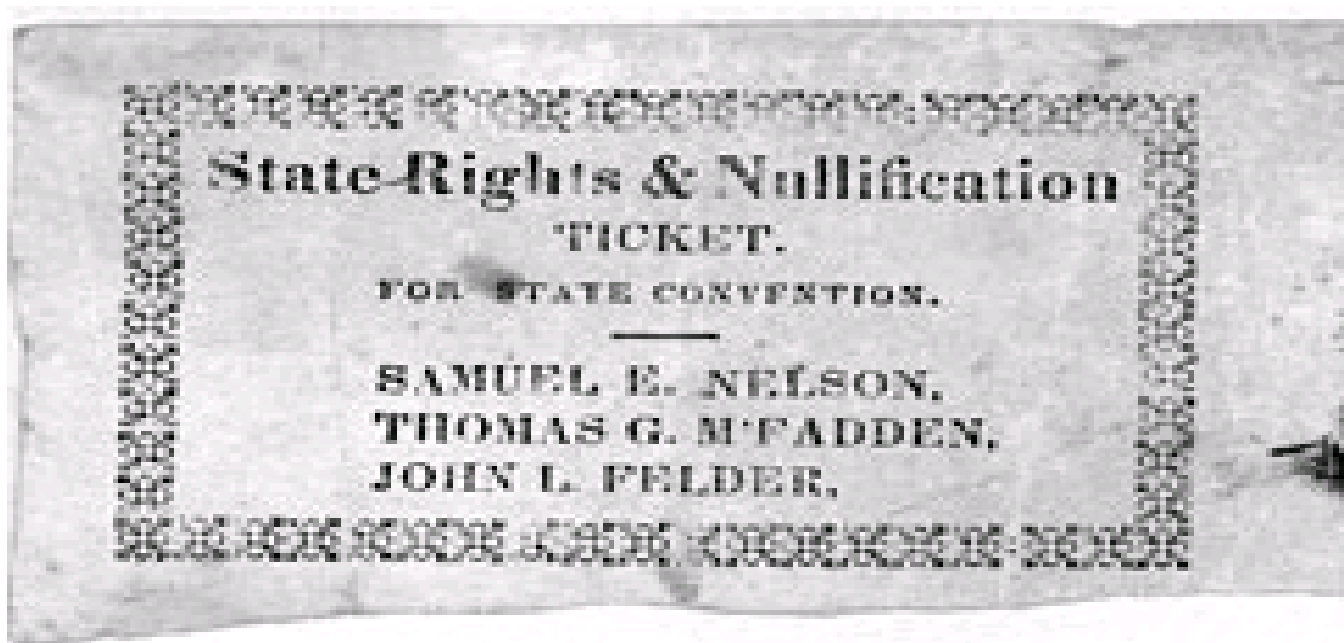
NUCMC Eligibility

Repositories who qualify:

- must be located in the U.S. or its territories
- must be open on a regular basis to researchers
- are unable to contribute cataloging to OCLC WorldCat
- lack an archival cataloger (requests are evaluated on a case-by-case basis)

NUCMC Mission

The mission of the NUCMC program is to provide and promote bibliographic access to the nation's documentary heritage



NUCMC Milestones

- 1959: NUCMC begins cooperative cataloging of archival materials across the United States
- 2009: NUCMC celebrates 50th anniversary
- NUCMC has cataloged over 121,000 collections in 1,800 repositories

Benefits of Participation in NUCMC

- Researchers worldwide can find your unique, one-of-a-kind collections
- They may have useful information about your collections, which can augment their value
- Better descriptive access frequently translates into better security for your collections
- Potential donors may want to give their collections to repositories with complementary collections

Sample data sheet

National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections (NUCMC)

1. Name of repository (include city and state):

2. Does this repository catalog manuscripts on a computer database?

If yes please explain (NB: Repositories that catalog in OCLC WorldCat are ineligible for participation in NUCMC):

3. Name and title of person to be contacted for information about the repository's collections:

Mailing address and telephone number of contact person (also provide fax number and Internet address if applicable):

4. Principal name around which the collection is formed (MARC 1xx); i.e. person (full name, birth and death dates), family, business, society, governmental agency, or some other corporate body:

Commonly known form of name:

Give relationship of the above to the collection relationship Creator, collector, other (If

African American Materials in NUCMC

- Wide variety of material including photographs, mss., correspondence, records of colleges and universities, personal papers, etc.
- Over 1,100 collections in NUCMC with African American subject headings cataloged in OCLC

African American Materials in NUCMC (continued)

- NUCMC printed volumes (1959-1985) contain several hundred collections relating to African Americans; however, these descriptions are only available in the printed volumes or through Archive Finder (a subscription product)

CHASP

(Cooperative HBCU Archival Survey Project)

- NEH-grant funded project started in the 1990s; the project focused on HBCUs (Historically Black Colleges and Universities); grant now concluded
- Final action: repositories reported collections to survey archivist who then forwarded them to NUCMC for cataloging
- Total of 746 records in OCLC

North Carolina HBCUs in CHASP

- Barber-Scotia College (Concord, N.C.)
- Bennett College (Greensboro, N.C.)
- Elizabeth City State University (Elizabeth City, N.C.)
- Fayetteville State University (Fayetteville, N.C.)
- Johnson C. Smith University (Charlotte, N.C.)
- Livingstone College (Salisbury, N.C.)
- North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (Greensboro, N.C.)
- North Carolina Central University (Durham, N.C.)
- Saint Augustine's College (Raleigh, N.C.)
- Shaw University (Raleigh, N.C.)
- Winston-Salem State University (Winston-Salem, N.C.)

Sample NUCMC record

Title: Inez Moore Parker collection, 1923-1989.
Description: 40 linear ft.
Notes: Part of the Cooperative HBCU Archival Survey
Project (CHASP) to survey the archival collections housed in
the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).
Papers of or relating to Inez Moore Parker,
English professor, historian, and author of *The
Biddle-Johnson C. Smith University Story*; born Inez Moore,
1907. Materials include correspondence; trophies; books;
newspapers; family albums; scrapbook (1950-1959);
audiocassettes; audiotape about the founding of the Johnson
C. Smith University; albums containing commencement
activities, speeches, interviews, Founder's Day activities,
and baccalaureate activities; genealogies of Thomas Spotswood
Eaton and Ann (Burwell) Eaton; and newspaper articles about
Johnson C. Smith University.
No restrictions on access to materials.
Cite as: Inez Moore Parker collections, The
University Archives, Johnson C. Smith University Library.

Subjects: Women historians -- North Carolina -- Charlotte.
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English teachers -- North Carolina -- Charlotte.
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Women college teachers -- North Carolina --
Charlotte. lcsh
Women authors, American -- North Carolina --
Charlotte. lcsh
Audiocassettes -- North Carolina -- Charlotte.
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Interviews -- North Carolina -- Charlotte. aat
Newspapers -- North Carolina -- Charlotte. aat
Scrapbooks -- North Carolina -- Charlotte.
Speeches, addresses, etc., American -- North
Carolina -- Charlotte. lcsh

New HBCU Initiative

- Building on success of CHASP
- NUCMC plans to contact HBCUs, both old and new, including those in North Carolina
- NUCMC seeks to diversify the OCLC database further and help to improve access to under-served and hidden collections in HBCU institutions

NUCMC and the Documentary Heritage of the Civil War

- A related project which runs from 2011-2015 on the NUCMC Web site
- Observance for 2013 will focus on “The African American Experience”
- The observance supports the central objective of the new HBCU initiative and is one of the exciting outcomes of NUCMC’s work

Photograph of Union soldier and family (undated)



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- Thank you for your interest!
- Questions?
- Image credits:
 - Slide 5: South Carolina state rights & nullification convention ticket [1832?], Library of Congress, American Memory
 - Slide 16: Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, LC-DIG-ppmsca-26454 (Liljenquist Family Collection of Civil War Photographs)
 - <http://www.loc.gov/pictures/collection/lilj/>
- Thanks to my colleagues at the Library of Congress for their help regarding this presentation.