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# Dona Brown Papers

## Collection Summary

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Identifier:	MA 105
Title:	Dona Brown Papers
Creator:	Dona Brown, April Brooks, Ruth Ann Alexander
Dates:	1940-1995
Extent:	0.42 linear feet (1 document case)
Language:	English
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## Abstract

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Dona Brown is an alumnus of South Dakota State University who served on the South Dakota Board of Regents from 1957 to 1969. The collection is material collected by Dr. April Brooks and Dr. Ruth Ann Alexander and includes research about Brown material created by Brown on South Dakota poets and writers.

## Biographical Note

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Dona Brown was born on May 25, 1909 in Brooking, South Dakota. She graduated from Huron High School in 1927. She went on to attend South Dakota State College where she earned a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1931 and a Master's in Education in 1937. She served 43 years as a teacher and counselor in Woonsocket and Huron, South Dakota.

Brown served on the South Dakota Board of Regents from 1957 to 1969. She has served as chairman of the board of trustees at Huron College, and has been a member of the SDSU Benefactors Club and the South Dakota Centennial Commission. She has also served on the board of directors of the South Dakota Personnel and Guidance Association, Salvation Army, Red Cross, and First Federal Savings and Loan in Huron, South Dakota. Her associations also include the American Association of University Women, Huron Chamber of Commerce, and the South Dakota Education Association.

Brown was inducted into the South Dakota Cowboy and Heritage Hall of Fame in 1980. South Dakota State University awarded her with an honorary doctorate and a Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1970.

Dona Brown died May 25, 1996.

## Contents Note

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This collection consists of material donated to the Archives by Dr. April Brooks and Dr. Ruth Ann Alexander, professors at South Dakota State University in 2004.

The material donated by Dr. Brooks consists of research gathered for a humanities grant. Included are articles, obituaries, and correspondence.

The material donated by Dr. Alexander are composed of records created by Dona Brown for a South Dakota poets and writers project. Included is correspondence, biographies, and questionnaires.

## Bibliography

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A critical analysis of the content of the course of study in commercial law for high schools appraised by three criteria of value with specific recommendations for South Dakota  
Thesis (M.S.) Education Department, South Dakota State University, 1937  
Archives: LB2385.B812

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Guidance service handbook for South Dakota schools  
Bulletin 65A (South Dakota. Department of Public Instruction), 1959  
Archives: LB1561.S8 G841 1959

## Subject Headings

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- Brown, Dona

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