

**SCOPE AND CONTENT**

This collection contains diplomas given by the college through the years. The diplomas represented span the life of the college, from the first diploma conferred in 1836 to as recent as a liberal arts degree awarded in 1960.

Two diplomas of note are George Washington Kidd's diploma of 1836, the first diploma given by the college and William St. George Kent's diploma of 1871, conferring on him a Civil Engineer degree, the first one awarded at Lafayette College. The majority of the diplomas in this collection are nineteenth century Bachelor of Science (BS) and Bachelor of Arts(AB) degrees, though there are six honorary degrees awarded in the twentieth century represented.

Many of the diplomas have been donated to the college by relatives and friends of the men who received them.

**INVENTORY**

<b>Box 1a</b>	1	1836	George Washington Kidd AB
<b>Box 1b</b>	1a	1836	David Moore AB
	1b	1836	J. B. Ramsey AB [draft]
	2a	1839	Joannes Howell Brakeley AB
	2b	1841	James Snodgrass AB
	2c	1842	Charles K. Wagner AB
	3	1844	Benjamin F. Fackenthal AB
	3a	1846	John Simms Woodside AB
	4	1847	Benjamin F. Fackenthal AM
	5	1847	Francis Michler AB
	5a	1848	William Cottingham AB
	6	1848	James H. Neighbour AB
	6b	1848	James Doran AB
	7	1850	Abram Goodwin AB
	7b	1857	Blank AB
	8a	1859	Albert J. Winterick AB
	8b	1863	Francis M. Todd AM
	9	1864	Charles F. Chidsey AB
	10a	1867	Charles F. Chidsey AM
	10b	1867	Blank AM
	11	1868	John W. Griggs AB
	12a	1870	James W. Piatt AB
	12b	1870	Alexander H. Sherrerd AB -Photostat
	12c	1873	Alexander H. Sherrerd MS -Photostat
	13	1871	William St. George Kent Civil Eng.
	14a	1873	John A. Mouk AB
	14b	1873	Joseph Roseberry Shimer BS
	14c	1873	Edward Matthias Killough Civil Eng.
	14d	1874	Samuel Sprecher Civil Eng
	14e	1878	Edward Dillon AM

**LAFAYETTE COLLEGE DIPLOMA  
COLLECTION, 1836-**

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LAFAYETTE COLLEGE**

14f	1884	George Purseglove Adamson BS
15	1885	John R. Miller AB
16	1887	John R. Miller AM
17a	1887	Benjamin F. Sandt AB
17b	1887	George Purseglove Adamson MS
17c	1890	Elston Beaty BS, MS
17d	1891	William Achenbach Wetzel AB,MA,Hon. Ed D
18	1897	Benjamin F. Fackenthal Jr. AM
19	1911	Benjamin F. Fackenthal Jr. Hon. Dr. Science
20	1929	Benjamin F. Fackenthal Jr. Hon. Dr. Law

**Box 2**

21	1901	Frank M. Weaver Civil Eng.
22a	1920	Melvin Fraser Hon. Dr. of Divinity
22b	1902	Otto F. Sieder Civil Eng.
23	1952	Otto F. Sieder Hon Dr. Science
24a	1903	John L. March PhD
24b	1903	John W. Woehrle AM
25a	1905	Joseph Morrison BS
25b	1906	Henry A. Picking Fischer BA John Bernard Lawley Civil Eng.
25c	1907	Thomas Melvin Obsborn Civil Eng.
26	1910	Warren J. Conrad AB
26a	1912	William Vilas Hill Civil Eng.
27a	1920	Paul Drake BS
27b	1925	Robert L. Nall BS

**Box 3**

28a	1931	William Sharpe Ramsay BS
	1949	William Sharpe Ramsay Certificate to appear before the US Supreme Court
28b	1933	Emil Von Arx, Jr. BS
28c	1936	Richard Irwin Darnell BA
29	1942	John K. Herr Hon. PhD
30	1960	Henry A. Picking Fischer BA
31	1926	Stanley Moore BS
32	1950	James Thomas Marcus BS
33	1950	Wallace Bruce Drinkhouse, Jr. BS

**Framed and hanging in Special Collections:**

1874	Pardee, Israel Platt Mining Eng.
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