

# Glasgow University Dialectic Society

## Overview

The online catalogue of the University of Glasgow Archives Services, *Archives Hub*, offers a summary of this society and its activities:

### 'Administrative / Biographical History

Glasgow University Dialectic Society was instituted in 1861 at the University of Glasgow, Scotland, as a society for the discussion of literary, philosophical and political subjects. The Society, in some form, has been in existence for some years earlier. The Society has been prominent in University life and in 1885, along with the Glasgow University Medico-Chirurgical Society, helped to establish the Glasgow University Union (GUU).

Originally a male only club, membership is now mixed and open to matriculated members of the University and ex-members upon payment of a subscription. The Society's main aim is to foster and promote debate.'

('Records of the Glasgow University Dialectic Society, student society, University of Glasgow, Scotland', 'Administrative/Biographical History', [Archives Hub](#))

## Date of Existence

(few years prior to) 1861-present

## Source of Information

1. Records of the Glasgow University Dialectic Society (includes: Constitution and by-laws; membership card; syllabus) (UGAS, GB 248 DC 38);
2. Records of the Glasgow University Dialectic Society (includes: Board minutes; Society meeting minutes; Membership roll books) (UGSC, GB 247 MS Gen 1307-1310);
3. (Newspaper clipping, annotated:) 'Citizen, 4 Mch. 1912' (MLSC, Young's Scrapbooks, Vol. 33, p. 55);
4. 'University Notes', *Evening Citizen*, 4 March 1912, p. 10

5. *University of Glasgow Dialectic Society* [Homepage](#)

### **Repository**

Mitchell Library Special Collections (MLSC)

University of Glasgow Archives Services (UGAS)

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### **Reference Number**

(See Source of Information)

### **Additional Notes**

Copies of the *Evening Citizen* are available at the Mitchell Library and the National Library of Scotland. Digitised issues are available through the *British Newspaper Archive*: <https://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk>.