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Opening Hours and Contact Details



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Our archived materials can be used by any interested individual upon application. Please request access by telephone or email.



Official Document upon Kurt Hahn's 80th Birthday, 1966

requested items can be seen and read in our reading room. Furthermore, reproductions are permitted whenever the item's condition allows it.

The library holdings of the Kurt Hahn Archive can be searched in the regional SWB Online Catalog (<http://swb2.bsz-bw.de>).

Contact Persons

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Photo above: Model Ship "Hein Godenwind", 1930s

Opening Hours

Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to noon
and by appointment

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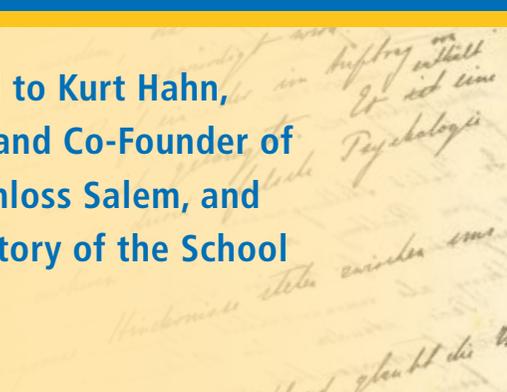
Photo above: Kurt Hahn's Novel "Frau Elses Verheissung", 1910

Kurt Hahn Archive within the Lake Constance District Archives



Dedicated to Kurt Hahn,
Educator and Co-Founder of
Schule Schloss Salem, and
to the History of the School

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Kurt Hahn Archive



Collections and Services



Services of the Archive



An Introduction to the Archive

The Kurt Hahn Archive collects and preserves materials related to Kurt Hahn, a German educator and co-founder of Schule Schloss Salem. The archive is an important contact point for all questions regarding Hahn as a person of historical interest as well as the school's history, and the historical development of reform pedagogy in Germany. It holds materials dating back to 1920 which offer insight into the lives and influence of many important figures who have contributed to the school's development since its founding.



Bodemann: Portrait of Kurt Hahn, 1967

History of the Archive

The collection was initiated in the 1960s by Jocelin Winthrop-Young, then director of the school's branch at Salem. It has been expanding ever since. In 2011 the archive became an autonomous collection under the care of the Lake Constance County Archives. It is now housed in the Prelature of Salem Castle, close once again to the site of the school's founding.

Photo above: Kurt Hahn's pith helmet

Collection

The collection currently holds over 200 meters of archived materials. It includes political and educational writings by and about Kurt Hahn, as well as letters, memorabilia, speeches, paintings and sculptures, an abundance of photographs and photo albums made by students, as well as audiovisual media (videos, DVDs, and films). In addition, it holds a considerable amount of documentation about Schule Schloss Salem, including the estates of Salem teachers and information about other organizations which have followed Kurt Hahn's educational ideas. Furthermore, the archive maintains a library of pedagogical texts, research works and writings by former students.



A Student's Photo Album, 1920s

Services

Our primary focus is to catalogue and make accessible the holdings of the Kurt Hahn Archive. We collect and index those documents and materials which former students and teachers have donated. To assist you, the user, we make use of computerized and print finding aids.

Photo above: Trophy "Competition Salem School vs. Salem Alumni"

Research Support

Assistance with research projects is just as much a part of our mission as other educational services, such as archive tours. We will give talks, publish essays and contribute to the preparation of exhibits. The Kurt Hahn Archive frequently contributes items to external exhibits and events. Moreover we are prepared to offer advice and do preliminary research of our collections as a starting point for your research questions.

User Regulations



Reading Room

Use of the archive is regulated by the Archive Law of the state of Baden-Wuerttemberg and our own User Guidelines:

"Any person with a justifiable interest has the right to use archived materials in accordance with applicable guidelines and after expiration of legal embargos, in as far as statutory provisions or agreements with current or former owners of the archived material do not specify otherwise." (§ 6 I LArchG)

*Photo top: Films of Student Life at Salem
Photo right: Marina Ewald's Cape*

