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Summary information

Repository:	Trinity University Special Collections and Archives
Title:	San Miguel de Allende Document Collection
ID:	SC.006
Date:	1660-1997, bulk 1700-1908 (date of creation)
Physical description:	1 linear foot (2 boxes)
Language:	Spanish
Language:	English
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

San Miguel de Allende is a municipality in the eastern region of Guanajuato, Mexico. The area was the site of a Chichimeca village called Izcuinapan prior to Spanish colonization in the early 16th century. The current town was founded in 1555 by Bernardo Cossin, and named San Miguel el Grande. By the mid-18th century it was one of the largest settlements in New Spain, with a population of over 30,000 residents. San Miguel was central to the Mexican War of Independence in the early 19th century; the town was renamed San Miguel de Allende in 1826 in honor of revolutionary hero Ignacio Allende.

Custodial history

Donated to the library in the early 1970s by Col. A.A. Greene (deceased 1999), a former faculty member in the Spanish department at Trinity University.

Scope and content

Collection of 123 documents concerning the San Miguel de Allende region of Mexico, dating from 1645-1897, and including but not limited to town records, church records, liquor taxation records, and liquor production records. Items in this collection were cataloged by Dr. Alida Metcalf, former professor of history at Trinity University, and her undergraduate students in 1995.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

Documents have been arranged in six series based on the document type, as identified by Dr. Metcalf's students: Correspondence (Series 1), Financial (Series 2), Legal (Series 3), Literary (Series 4), Printed (Series 5), and Miscellaneous (Series 6). Within these series, documents have been arranged in chronological order. The identification numbers assigned by Dr. Metcalf during her class project remain on the individual folders, allowing items to be cross-referenced to the documentation produced by her students. An additional series (Series 7) contains Documentation related to the historic manuscripts and Dr. Metcalf's cataloging project.

Restrictions on access

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Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

Access points

- Manuscripts (documentary form)
- Correspondence (documentary form)
- Liquor industry -- Mexico (subject)
- Taxation -- Mexico (subject)
- Municipal government -- Records and correspondence (subject)
- San Miguel de Allende (Mexico) (place)

Series descriptions

Series SC.006-01: Correspondence

Date: 1777-1823 (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-01-01	Item - Three letters on San Pedro hacienda (#29)	1777		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-02	Item - Letter: Business compliments on increase in amount of taxes collected on pulque (#26)	1779		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-03	Item - Letter: to Juan Navarro (#20)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-04	Item - Letter: Velarde describes his "dolencias de gota" (#21)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-05	Item - Letter: Business concerning taxation on haciendas (#30)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-06	Item - Letter: Business regarding the replacement of contador (#31)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-07	Item - Letter: Sick worker requesting job help (#33)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-08	Item - Two letters on Monte funds for women and orphans (#12)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-09	Item - Cover letter that accompanied alcabalas sheet (#107)	1786		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-10	Item - Letter about the butchering and distribution of beef to workers on small farms (#28)	1787		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-11	Item - Letter: Business concerning hacienda (#32)	1787		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-12	Item - Letter: Business from director of Reales Alcabalas y Pulquerias (#19)	1789		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-13	Item - Letter in regard to forbidden drinks (#27)	1789		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-14	Item - Two letters: business, with regard to debts for hacienda, request for license (#56)	1799		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-15	Item - Family and personal history written by descendent of Indian cacique to request tax exemption (#120)	1808		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-01-16	Item - Letter to president concerning the postponement of bull run (#54)	1823		SC.006 Box 1

Series SC.006-02: Financial

<u>Date:</u> 1785-1908 (date of creation) <u>Publication status:</u> Published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-02-01	Item - Quantity of pesos for an annual salary (#88)	1785		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-02	Item - Receipt of four books of documents about alcabalas (#37)	1786		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-03	Item - Records of the assets of an aduana (#18)	1789		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-04	Item - Inventory of furniture in a customs house (#17)	1789		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-05	Item - Business letter: request for information (#6)	1789		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-06	Item - Receipt of sale (#87)	1790		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-07	Item - Gift of money from the coronation of Charles V by Don Manuel (#53)	1791		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-08	Item - Business letter: accompanying table of alcabalas (#9)	1792		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-09	Item - Document of sale/transaction (#98)	1794		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-10	Item - Four part inventory (#4)	1797		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-11	Item - Certificate of salary (#104)	1802		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-12	Item - Receipt of payment to Royal Treasury (#40)	1807		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-13	Item - Description of a house for sale (#67)	1839		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-14	Item - Transfer of money (#89)	1839		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-15	Item - Business document regarding fruit and conditions (#97)	1855		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-02-16	Item - Sale of fruit orchard (#114)	1908		SC.006 Box 1
Series SC.006-03: Legal <u>Date:</u> 1660-1884 (date of creation) <u>Publication status:</u> Published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-03-01	Item - Transfer of half a sitio on a hacienda (#13)	1660		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-02	Item - Notorial documents (#3)	1700		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-03	Item - Land sale (#123)	1710		SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-04	Item - Terms for sale of a house (#50)	1745		SC.006 Box 1

SC.006-03-05	Item - Land sale, inheritance papers (#92)	1747	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-06	Item - Land sale (#115)	1750	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-07	Item - Application to erect a granary (#48)	1778	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-08	Item - Listing of taxes and taxpayers (#23)	1779	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-09	Item - Testimonies about house ownerships (#112)	1781	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-10	Item - Terms for a loan of money (#69)	1783	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-11	Item - Taxes paid by residents (#1)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-12	Item - Business letter regarding taxation in Dolores (#22)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-13	Item - Letter about flour exempt from alcabalas (#24)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-14	Item - List of alcabala taxes (#25)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-15	Item - Chart recording administration of alcabalas (#34)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-16	Item - Rights to collect alcabalas in San Luiz de la Paz (#101)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-17	Item - Business letter: tax on corn (#8)	1785	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-18	Item - List of total taxes paid in San Luis de la Paz (#10)	1788	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-19	Item - Statement of taxable revenue (#7)	1788	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-20	Item - Account of taxes paid throughout year (#11)	1789	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-21	Item - Discussion of jurisdiction of power of attorney (#52)	1791	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-22	Item - Salary accounts of aduana (#16)	1798	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-23	Item - Land sale (#109)	1799	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-24	Item - Documents pertaining to loans and debts (#14)	1800	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-25	Item - Taxes from pulperias (#2)	1800	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-26	Item - Audit for alcabalas, pulques, pulperias, etc. (#36)	1800	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-27	Item - Land sale, espanol to indio, involving alcabalas tax (#82)	1801	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-28	Item - Tax certificate for grocery store (#105)	1802	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-29	Item - Signed and sealed testimony document (#57)	1803	SC.006 Box 1
SC.006-03-30	Item - List of debts owed by various individuals (#64)	1804	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-31	Item - Taxes collected on pulperias (#93)	1804	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-32	Item - Land sale (#80)	1805	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-33	Item - Land sale (#108)	1805	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-34	Item - List of debts to paid upon deaths of members of Canal family of Guanajuato (#55)	1806	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-35	Item - List of women in poor conditions (#71)	1809	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-36	Item - Division of man's properties (#15)	1810	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-37	Item - Proposal for a government contract (#79)	1812	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-38	Item - Land sale (#118)	1812	SC.006 Box 2

SC.006-03-39	Item - Sale of land from woman to brother (#49)	1813	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-40	Item - Audit form of the Real Aduana (#35)	1814	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-41	Item - Land sale: certificate belonging to widow (#103)	1814	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-42	Item - Lien on house (#58)	1816	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-43	Item - Receipt of loan (#65)	1820	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-44	Item - Loan for a house (#86)	1820	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-45	Item - Inheritance papers (#66)	1821	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-46	Item - History of hacienda (#74)	1821	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-47	Item - Will of Dona, including future of chapel (#75)	1822	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-48	Item - Land sale, certificate belonging to widow (#102)	1830	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-49	Item - List of candidates for 1832 election (#68)	1832	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-50	Item - School document, statement of receipts and taxation (#85)	1832	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-51	Item - Appointment of new director to a post (#116)	1833	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-52	Item - Promise to pay a loan (#95)	1838	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-53	Item - Land sale (#113)	1840	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-54	Item - Land sale (#110)	1844	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-55	Item - Land sales (#119)	1846	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-56	Item - Certification documents in Latin (#76)	1847	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-57	Item - Purchase of house (#121)	1848	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-58	Item - Inheritance papers of Ignacio Gonzalez (#78)	1849	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-59	Item - History of sale of gramos (#72)	1854	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-60	Item - Licensing of patron (#122)	1854	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-61	Item - Collection of payment of debts (#84)	1857	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-62	Item - Certificate affirming individual's debt (#70)	1861	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-63	Item - Affirmation of debt (#63)	1863	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-64	Item - Certificates of loan and ownership of property (#96)	1864	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-65	Item - Document of debt/payment (#106)	1865	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-66	Item - Itemized list of laws concerning police (#117)	1866	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-03-67	Item - Inheritance papers (#94)	1884	SC.006 Box 2

Series SC.006-04: Literary

Date: 1808-1882, undated (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-04-01	Item - History notes by scholar detailing genealogies (#62)	1808		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-04-02	Item - Speech about Mexican history and independence (#60)	1882		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-04-03	Item - Math treatise (#61)	undated		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-04-04	Item - Dialogue on philosophy (#90)	undated		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-04-05	Item - Poetry (#51)	undated		SC.006 Box 2

Series SC.006-05: Printed

Date: 1785-1951 (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-05-01	Item - Circular concerning forbidden drinks (#38)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-02	Item - Circular regarding taxation of corn (#39)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-03	Item - Circular containing a list of landowners (#41)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-04	Item - Notice to administrators (#42)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-05	Item - Circular listing government document requirements (#43)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-06	Item - Circular regarding old coins (#44)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-07	Item - Circular regarding taxation of mining equipment (#45)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-08	Item - Circular regarding administration of alcabalas tax (#46)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-09	Item - Circular regarding the circulation of seed (#47)	1785		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-10	Item - Newspaper advertisement for a play (#77)	1882		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-05-11	Item - Magazine clipping with advertisement for documents (#59)	1951		SC.006 Box 2

Series SC.006-06: Miscellaneous

Date: 1777-1858, undated (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container

SC.006-06-01	Item - Chart of alcabalas collected in San Miguel (#100)	1777	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-02	Item - Response to alcabalas circular (#111)	1785	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-03	Item - [No description given] (#83)	1793	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-04	Item - Army enlistment papers (#81)	1798	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-05	Item - Historical documents (#5)	1800	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-06	Item - [No description given] (#99)	1804	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-07	Item - [No description given] (#73)	1858	SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-06-08	Item - Incomplete document (#91)	undated	SC.006 Box 2

Series SC.006-07: Documentation

Date: 1995-1997 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Contains documentation related to the historic documents in this collection, including the original catalog records created by Dr. Metcalf's students.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
SC.006-07-01	File - Inventories	1995		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-07-02	File - Reference materials	n.d.		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-07-03	File - Trinity Magazine	1997		SC.006 Box 2
SC.006-07-04	File - Completed student forms	1995		SC.006 Box 2