Types of Archival Material
The Archives houses and services to the public the following materials, which do
not circulate and must be used in the Archives Reading Room during regular service
hours.

Archival Collections
Collections of primary source materials on Northwest Louisiana history. Letters,
diaries, ledgers, minutes, reports, manuscripts, scrapbooks, etc. documenting families,
businesses, organizations, governmental agencies, clubs, etc. significant to Northwest
Louisiana. Finding aids: Guide to Archives and Manuscript Collections, Archives
card catalog, and collection inventories.

Louisiana Collection
Special Collection of secondary source material (books, magazines, pamphlets,
etc.) by Louisiana authors or about Louisiana topics. Cataloged on the computer
through LOUIS and serviced through the Archives.

Vertical Files
Newspaper clipping files on topics relating to Northwest Louisiana. The date
range within these files cover circa 1978 and continue through 1990. All vertical file
citations from 1991 to the present for the Shreveport Times are available online in the

Oral History
Oral history interviews document 20th century regional history where written
records are not available and supplement significant archival collections. Tapes and
transcripts are available. For an alphabetical listing of the oral histories currently in our
collection, see the Oral History Collection. Finding aid: Archives card catalog.

Photograph Collection
The Archives houses of 20,000 cataloged photographs and 200,000 negatives
that document the visual heritage of Northwest Louisiana, 1890s to the present. Finding
aid: Archives card catalog.

Map Collection
The Archives houses hundreds of maps of Louisiana, Northwest Louisiana,
Shreveport, Bossier, Red River, and area lakes, early 1800's to present. Finding aid:
Archives card catalog.

Newspapers
The Noel Memorial Library, Microforms and Media Department houses a large
number of Louisiana newspapers on microfilm. A listing is available in the Archives.
Newspaper Index
The Archives has indexed the Shreveport Times from 1871-1899. A list of topics and citations is available in the Archives.

Faculty, Thesis, and Rare Books
Books and articles by LSUS faculty, MLA theses, and rare books are cataloged through LOUIS and serviced through the Archives.