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Oral History Interview with John Wiley, October 4, 2018

John Wiley: My name is John Wiley. Today is October 04, 2018. At IWU, I was Physics major and was a member of Theta Chi fraternity. I graduated in 1957. After Wesleyan, I attended graduate school at Northwestern University, and got a Master's degree in Physics there. I came to Wesleyan primarily because I had a friend from my high school who was two years ahead of me and he was a student here and he introduced me to the school and I thought this would be a good place to be. After Wesleyan, at Northwestern where I got the Masters in Physics, I worked in Northern Illinois for a few years and in 1964, I moved to Dallas, Texas where I joined Texas Instruments Incorporated most of my working career. With Texas instruments, I've been involved in semiconductor as integrated circuit technology and have been able to watch the computer revolution and telecommunication developments resulting from this work in semiconductors. I've been involved at IWU over the last several years. I'm working on the advisory council for the Information Technology group and participating in the benefactor's program for scholarships for students. I'm very happy to be able to do that. I would say that my time at Wesleyan helped me develop the basis for my technical background and education, and also helped me to develop techniques and methods of dealing with diverse groups of people and problem-solving situations.