

# Finding Aid for the Washington University Women's Studies Program Administrative Papers

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## **Descriptive Summary**

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Creator: Washington University Women's Studies Program Administration.

Title: Washington University Women's Studies Program Administrative Papers.

Dates: 1972 – 1992.

Quantity: 3.0 linear feet.

Language: English.

## **Historical Note**

In 1972, a petition circulated the campus of Washington University, asking for the formation of a Women's Studies program. The petition was successful and the program began soon thereafter. This program was designed to cover women's experience in the past, examine their experience in the present, and chart such directions as may make their future more fulfilling. Women's Studies was a field that combines the traditional concerns of many disciplines and applies their methods to new ends. After its initial formation, the program coordinated courses offered by many departments in the College of Arts and Sciences, incorporated courses offered by other schools within the University, and offered tutorials and occasional cross-disciplinary seminars of its own. It granted a B.A. in Women's Studies to any student who, in addition to fulfilling the College requirements, completed twenty-one upper division units in Women's Studies and a senior thesis or project.

## **Scope and Content Notes**

This collection is divided into six series as follows:

- Series 01:** Correspondence (arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)
- Series 02:** Business Matters (arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)
- Series 03:** Washington University Courses (arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)
- Series 04:** Publications and Events (arranged publications then events, both arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)
- Series 05:** Records of the Washington University Ad Hoc Committee on the Status of Women Faculty (arranged publications then events, both arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)

**Series 06:** Records relating to a proposal for an Office of Women's Affairs and the Council for Women's Affairs (arranged publications then events, both arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically within each subject)

### **Administrative Information**

#### **Source of Collection**

This material was donated to the University Archives by the Women's Studies Program in January 1992 and 1994 and by others at various times.

#### **Accruals**

There are no accruals.

#### **Processing Information**

Updated by Sarah Pabarcus in February 2006.

### **Restrictions**

#### **Access Restrictions**

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#### **Use Restrictions**

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