

Hunter College
School of Social Work
1956 - 2008
Finding Aid

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INTRODUCTION

The records of the Hunter College School of Social Work were already in the repository when Professor Julio Hernandez-Delgado became the Head of Archives & Special Collections in July of 1992. The original status of the records was similar to many other collections in the repository that were unprocessed and unavailable for research. Professor Hernandez-Delgado began a concerted effort to process the backlog of unprocessed collections and by 2008, organized the records of the School of Social Work.

Special thanks to Professor Tatiana Manvelidze of the Hunter College School of Social Work Library, for her periodic donations of materials from the Hunter College School of Social

GENERAL INFORMATION

Accession Number: 97-37

Size: 3.75 linear ft.

Provenance: Hunter College School of Social Work

Restrictions: None.

Location: Range 5 Section 2 Shelves 7- 8

Archivist: Prof. Julio L. Hernandez-Delgado

Assistant: Mrs. Dane Guerrero

Date: October 2001

Revised: June 2010, November 2018

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Hunter College School of Social Work was established in the fall of 1956 under a grant from the late Louis M. Rabinowitz. It was the first professional school of social work in any of the City Colleges and the first in the entire state under public auspices. The program began in September 1956 with a first class of twenty-five students and three faculty members. In the spring of 1958, the program was accredited by the Council on Social Work prior to holding its first commencement. On September 23, 1964, Robert F. Wagner, former Mayor of New York City, announced that a private philanthropic gift was made to the City of New York. Mr. Samuel J. Silberman donated, through the Samuel J. Silberman Fund, a new specially-designed building for the Hunter College School of Social Work which opened for occupancy circa 1967. This gift enabled the school to triple the number of trained social workers it graduated. The building on 79th and Lexington Avenue was eventually made available to the City on a long-term, rent-free lease with provisions for renewals.

The primary objective of the school is to prepare students to pursue careers as agency-based social workers who are socially conscious and sensitive, professionally competent and ethical, intellectually curious and determined, and who respect and embody the ideals of the social work profession. In addition, the school's task is to provide education for social work of the highest quality at the lowest possible cost to all students, irrespective of their identification or economic status.

The Hunter College School of Social Work remains vigilant to meet the social challenges of a metropolis that has grown in size and diversity. The academic preparation of students who are dedicated to serving the social needs of the public is the focus of this school.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The records in this collection span the years 1956 - 1969 and 1986 - 2000, with the bulk covering the years 1956-1969. Many of the administrative records of the Hunter College School of Social Work are missing from the collection. The available records shed light on the establishment of the school, the dedication of the new building, and include several self-study reports.

Related collections: Sociology & Anthropology Department, 1942 - 1956, 1972, 1979

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series I – Administration

Included in this series are the minutes of the Advisory Committee of Social Work, documents disclosing the establishment of the Samuel J. Silberman Fund, annual reports, correspondence, proposals, invitations, publications, reports, programs, and several self-studies of the school. This series is arranged alphabetically by subject.

Series II – General Files

Series II consists of a book lists and periodicals, along with miscellaneous materials. This series is arranged alphabetically by category.

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	6	The Lois and Samuel Silberman Fund, 1969 - 1970, 1971 - 1972, 1975 - 1976, 1982-1986
	7	History of the Hunter College School of Social Work – background and Articles, May 7, 1917 report: Proposed Governance Structure for the School of Social Work, 1957-1971
2	1	The Maurice B. Hexter Award, n.d.
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6		Library Renovation, 1988
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3	5	Proposals
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		A Proposal for a Planning Grant to Develop a Summer Trading Program for "Trainee" Recruits of the N.Y.C. Department of Welfare, n.d.
	6	Proposals for a School of Social Work at Hunter College, n.d.

SERIES II – GENERAL FILES

		Reports
3	7	Generating Curriculum on Social Work with Schools N.Y.C. Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, ca. May 1996
		Louis M. Rabinowitz Clerical Staff (H-51), September 29, 1958
5	1	Project Report Rehabilitation Counselor Training Program Application for training grant continuation Grant # 104-65, 1964 - 1965
	2	Report of the CSWE on-Site Evaluation Team for the Hunter College of CUNY School of Social Work, January 27- 29, 1986
	3	Report on Student Enrollment, 1956 - 1960, 1963
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6	1	New Book List, 1969 - 1970
	2	List of Periodicals and Journals, 1969, 1970
	3	Research Utilization in Social Work Education, 1981
	4	Views from the Front Line: The Impact of Health Policy on the Lives of New Yorkers, December 1993
	5	The One-Year Residence Program Handbook, 1986 - 1987 An Examination of the Human Behavior and Social Environment Sequence at the Hunter College School of Social Work, n.d.
	6	Concurrent Planning: Tool for Permanency Survey of Selected Sites, April 2000 Dedication Addresses, March, 1969 The Hexter Award Social Work Graduate Program The National Conference to Social Welfare Educational Issues in Field Instruction in Social Work
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4		<i>HCSSW Update</i> , 1987 - 2000, 2002, 2006; <i>HCSSW Faculty & Staff Newsletter</i> , March, 2006
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- 8 1 A.C.C.E.S.S. 1985-1986
- 2 *Community Builder*, 2000-2001
- 8 3 *Hunter College School of Social Work*
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- 7 *The Hunter Horizon*, March 1996
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- 8 *News for Our Neighbors*, n.d.
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- 9 1 Social Work at Hunter, 2007-2009
- 2 Various national Social Work newsletters, 1954-1983
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