



Guide to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
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Abstract:	The collection is comprised of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies administrative records, memoranda, and correspondence dating from 1966 to 2006. The collection includes information about UNLV's department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies from its inception at Nevada Southern University, its transition to UNLV, and research initiatives the department has undertaken.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

In 1968 Nevada Southern University (NSU) became completely independent of the University of Nevada, Reno. Campus President Donald Moyer then authorized NSU to form colleges and the College of Fine Arts was created. This college included the Anthropology Department. In 1969 Nevada Southern University became the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). In 1971 incoming University President Roman Zorn decided that UNLV had too many colleges and merged the colleges of Fine Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences into the College of Arts and Letters. Both

the departments of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies were housed in this new college. On January 1, 1990 the college renamed itself the College of Liberal Arts. The Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies was housed under this department and as of 2017 remains a member of the college.

Source:

Eugene Moehring, "A History of UNLV's College of Liberal Arts," *University of Nevada, Las Vegas College of Liberal Arts*, accessed July 6, 2017. <https://www.unlv.edu/liberalarts/history>.

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Scope and Contents Note

The collection is comprised of administrative records, memoranda, correspondence, and research created by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies from 1966 to 2006. The early years of the collection document the Department of Anthropology and Ethnic studies as it transitioned from Nevada Southern University to UNLV. The latter part of the documentation highlights the internal workings of the Anthropology and Ethnic Studies Department as well as research conducted by professors and students. The records were primarily maintained by Don Schmiedel, a foreign language professor and former chair of the Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies. Don Schmiedel retired from UNLV in 1999.

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Records in the University Archives are open to representatives of the originating office, but are closed to public access until the records have been reviewed for protected information. Protected information includes: personally identifiable information, personal health

information, student records, records regarding disciplinary procedures, records that compromise security or operations, legal communications, and legal work product.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated intermittently by the Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies; accession numbers 1992-09 and 1988-048.

Processing Note

These records are unprocessed. A rough inventory of the accession was created by Maggie Bukowski in 2017. To prepare the inventory, the described materials were reviewed to create a contents list, estimate dates, and identify material types. No other work has been performed on the material.

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Names and Subjects

- Archaeology
- Mines and mineral resources
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Memorandum, newspaper articles, committee minutes, budgets, correspondence, Department of Anthropology and Ethnic Studies meeting minutes, budgets, 1966-1989	box 01
Graduate Council Notes, Anthropology Masters program, Desert Research Institute Committee, Ethnic Studies recruitment, faculty activities, 1969-1984	box 02
Dr. Richard Brooks and Dr. Sheilagh Brooks incoming and outgoing correspondence, 1966-1989	box 03
<i>Basketmaker and Puebloan Occupation at the Steve Perkins Site, Moapa Valley, Southern Nevada</i> report by Keith Myhrer, field notes, 1989-2006	box 04

Steve Perkins Site archaeological field catalog and ceramic analysis, 1971-1989	box 05
Recordings from University of Nevada, Las Vegas nursing lectures and nurses symposiums, approximately 1970s	box 06
Archaeological Research Center reports about Southern Nevada, 1978-1981	box 07
Archaeological Research Center reports about seismic lines and mining claims in Nevada, 1978-1981	box 08
Archaeological Research Center reports about seismic lines and cultural resources in Nevada, 1978-1982	box 09
Archaeological Research Center reports about seismic lines in Nevada and the Las Vegas Valley Water District pipelines, 1979-1982	box 10
University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Journal of Anthropology Volume One, issues one through three, UNLV Anthropology student papers publication, 1977-1991	box 11