

## **Union Minorities/Women Leadership Training Project Collection**

**Records, 1976-1981**

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2 storage boxes  
1 manuscript box**

Accession #1108

The records of the Union Minorities/Women Leadership Training Project were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in January of 1983 by Project coordinator, Robert Cunningham, and opened for research in April of 2006.

The Union Minorities/Women Leadership Training Project, funded by state and federal grants, offered classes in communication skills, assertiveness training and leadership development on college campuses and in labor union halls throughout Michigan from 1978 through 1981. At the time, it was the only program of its kind in the country. Staff from labor studies programs at six Michigan universities and union civil rights, women's and education departments worked together to determine program needs and content and recruit students. Project directors at Wayne State University, The University of Michigan and Michigan State University designed program formats and resource materials specifically targeted at urban minority, women and Hispanic workers, respectively.

The Union Minorities/Women Leadership Training Project Collection consists of correspondence, program materials and progress reports, participant questionnaires, project publications and other items documenting the training of African Americans, Latinos and women for leadership positions within their unions and communities.

### **Important subjects in the collection:**

African-American, Latino and women labor union members  
African-American, Latino and women workers  
Labor education programs in Michigan

### **Important correspondents in the collection:**

Marilyn Boyd  
Robert Cunningham  
Carroll Hutton  
Dorothy Jones  
Dolores (Dee) Lyons  
Gerard Pittman  
JoAnn Sharkey  
Don Stevens

**Box 1**

1. Administrative structure
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8. Committees; membership
9. Conferences; Kick-Off, Dec 1978
- 10-12. Conferences; Kick-Off—participant questionnaire
13. Conferences; Statewide, May 1980
- 14-20. Cunningham, Bob; corres., misc., 1978-81
21. Cunningham, Robert; Oakland University Council for Black Concerns, 1980-81
22. Cunningham, Robert; statewide coordinator—activity reports, 1978-80
23. Cunningham, Robert; statewide coordinator position—corres., 1978-81
24. Higher Education Act (HEA) Title I-A reauthorization, 1979
25. Lyons, Dolores (Dee); associate statewide coordinator—activity reports, 1979
26. Programs; Eastern Michigan University, 1978-81
- 27-29. Programs; Michigan State University (MSU)—Hispanics, 1979-81
30. Programs; MSU—reports, 1979-81
- 31-35. Programs; MSU—women, 1979-81
36. Programs; Northern Michigan University (NMU), 1979

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- 1-2. Programs; NMU, 1980-81
3. Programs; NMU—reports, 1979-81
4. Programs; Oakland University (OU), 1979-81 [See also: Programs; WSU]
5. Programs; OU—plant closings, 1980-81
6. Programs; reports—linkage and resource sharing, 1978-81
7. Programs; reports—multiple universities, 1979-81
8. Programs; substance abuse, 1979-80
9. Programs; University of Michigan, 1979-81
- 10-11. Programs; Wayne State University (WSU), 1979-81 [See also: Programs; OU]
12. Programs; WSU—policewomen, 1980
13. Programs; WSU—reports, 1978-81
14. Project evaluation questionnaire; corres., drafts, 1978-81
- 15-17. Project evaluation questionnaire; responses, 1979-81
18. Project papers presented at UCLEA meeting, Apr 1981
19. Project proposal, FY 1978-79
20. Project proposal; Native American addendum, FY 1978-79
21. Project proposal, FY 1979-80
22. Project proposal, FY 1980-81

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23. Project reports; bi-annual, 1978-81
- 24-26. Project reports; final, 1978-81
27. Publications; project—Assertive Communication, 1979
28. Publications; project—A Bibliography on Women and Minorities in the Workforce, 1980
29. Publications; project—brochure and newsletter, 1979-80
30. Publications; project—list, requests, 1979-81

**Box 3**

1. Publications; women workers—Indiana University Leadership Training for Trade Union Women program materials, 1977-78
2. Publications; women workers—NEA Women's Caucus Women's Leadership Training Program manual, 1977
3. Publications; women workers—A Student's Introduction to Nonsexist Vocational Education, 1978
4. Publications; women workers—Women in American Labor History, 1976
5. Publications; women workers—Women in Michigan's Work Force, 1978
6. Publicity, 1978-80
7. Stevens, Don; corres., 1978-80
8. Training; instructor, 1979
9. Training; staff, 1979-80
10. Training; staff—Project on Equal Education Rights (PEER) presentation, 1981