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Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute Records

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1933-1937, 1953-1980, bulk 1953-1973

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Creator: Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute

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Related Material: **UR001813: Sinai Hospital Records.** Contains a 1987 oral history interview with Harry August.

Abstract

The Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute was organized in 1957 as the Psychoanalytic Training Center of Detroit, under the auspices of the New York Psychoanalytic Institute. An educational and training facility for adult and child/adolescent psychoanalysis and psychotherapy, it was granted full accreditation by the Board on Professional Standards of the American Psychoanalytic Association in May of 1965.

The Institution provided training to medical school graduates who had completed at least a year of psychiatric residency. The curriculum included theoretical instruction and clinical seminars, supervised opportunities to treat patients, and the preparation of a psychoanalytic research paper. Coursework covered such topics as diagnostic practices, mental concepts and principles, and phobias.

This collection contains correspondence, newsletters, event programs and course bulletins detailing the Institute and associated Society's requirements, activities, and course offerings. Also included are letters from Dr. Hans von Hattingberg to Dr. Robert Dieterle from the 1930s. Von Hattingberg was a leading figure in psychoanalysis at the German Institute for Psychological Research and Psychotherapy (later called the "Göring Institute") in Berlin who conducted a lecture tour at the University of Michigan in the 1930s, where Dieterle was an Associate Professor of Psychiatry.

Important Subjects:

Psychoanalytic Practice
Psychoanalytic Societies
Psychiatric Training

Important Names:

Michigan Psychoanalytic Society
The New York Psychoanalytic Institute
Hans von Hattingberg
Nathan P. Segel
Harry E. August
Robert Dieterle

Arrangement

Folders are listed by their location within the box. The collection is roughly grouped by material type, but in some instances like material is dispersed throughout the box.

Box 1

1. Correspondence, 1953-1954
2. Correspondence, 1965-1973
3. History of Institute, 1972-1973
4. Reprinted Psychoanalysis Articles, 1950-1970
5. Correspondence from Hans von Hattingberg to Robert Dieterle, 1933- 1937
6. Hans von Hattingberg Photographs, [1928-1929]
7. Newsletter, 1971- 1974
8. Newsletter, 1977-1980
9. Brochures and Programs, 1958-1973
10. Brochures and Programs, 1973-1980
11. Establishment of the Detroit Training Center, 1956 –1962