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PLEASE NOTE: Folders in this collection are loosely arranged by subject, but are not necessarily arranged in any particular order. The box folder listing provides an inventory based on their original order. Subjects may be dispersed throughout the collection.
Abstract
The Service Employees International Union (SEIU) was founded in 1921 as a union of flat janitors. Over the years it has grown in size and scope, now comprising three divisions: healthcare, property services, and public services. SEIU’s Department of Education generates training materials for its members on topics including workplace training (for all three divisions), internal staff professional development, collective bargaining, organizing, and political campaigns. Document formats found within the records are primarily training guides and manuals (including facilitator training materials), as well as materials such as publications and reports utilized by the Education Department.

Important Subjects:
AFL-CIO
Collective bargaining
Collective bargaining—Service industries
Collective labor agreements — Service industries
Education
Labor disputes
Labor unions – organizing
Labor unions – Records and correspondence
Political campaigns
Privatization
Service Employees International Union
Strikes and lockouts
Unfair labor practices
Women in the labor movement

Important Names:
Glenn, Elinor
Stern, Andy
Sweeney, John
**Arrangement**

Folders are listed by their location in each box. They are loosely arranged by subject in the following order: new staff training, staff development, political campaigns, collective bargaining, organizing, leadership, health, arbitration/grievances, stewards, and materials utilized by the Education Department. However, some materials cover multiple topics, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entire collection.

**Box 1**

1. New Officers/Staff Training, George Meany Center, 1985-1987
4. *SEIU Staff Development Manual, Growing Our Own*
6. *Reach Every Member*, Trainer’s Binder
10. Presidential Politics, 2004
14. *Evaluation of SEIU Education Department Staff Training Programs*, 1995 April
19. Campaign Communications, Tool Kit for SEIU Hospital Organizers, 2002 May
20. *Unity in Action Program*, the Workers’ Right to Organize
22. *SEIU Organizer Training Academy, Lead Development Plan Draft*, 2002 December
23-24. Organizers Training Modules
25. Central Region Staff Training, 2003
27. SEIU Leadership Development Program, Evaluation, 1994-1995
28. *Leadership Training Programs*, Involving the Membership
29. SEIU New Leader Training, 2001 May 6-9

**Box 2**

6. 1199 SEIU Leadership Development Campaign Proposal Draft, 2003 July 3
8. Bole Action Training Outline, 1996 July
10. *SEIU International Training Institute*, 1989 November 2 – December 1
11. Union Skills Program, Training for Union Reps, 1998
12. *Participating for Strength*
14. *Member Mobilization Building Union Power*
19. AIDS and Needlestick Prevention Training
25. *Grievance Chair Training*, 1994 November 11-12
27. *Grievance Workbook*
28. *Shop Steward*, Courses 1-4
29. *Steward Manual*
30. *The Stewards Book*
31. SEIU Steward Materials, 1981
32. SEIU Steward Materials
33. *OPEU SEIU Basic Steward Training*, 1992
34. *OPEU SEIU Advanced Steward Training*, 1992
35. Local 660 Steward’s Manual, 1986
36. Local 31- Stewards Training Conference, 1990 May
38. *SEIU Local 250 Steward Training Program*, 1992
40. Stewards Training, Local 73-HC, 2004 July-August

**Box 3**
1. President’s Committee 2000, Retreat Packet, 1999 October 25028
2. President’s Committee 2000, Report 1-3 Summaries
3. President’s Committee 2000, Reports 1-3: *Evaluate, Imagine, Decide*
5. Publication, *Union Sisters*
6. Publication, *‘So Much to be Done’ George Hardy’s Life in Organized Labor*, 1980
17. *Report to Building Services Division*, 2000
19. *Report to Public Services Division*, 2000
20. Elinor Glenn Interview by Patricia Yeghissian, Director of Education Department, 1994 December 11
21. Report Pamphlets
23. *Axioms for Organizers*
25. Speech Notes for Andy Stern