



## Ruth Ellsworth Papers

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Walter P. Reuther Library
<b>Title:</b>	Ruth Ellsworth Papers
<b>ID:</b>	WSP000503_INV
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1949-1971
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.5 l.f.
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Ruth Ellsworth was a professor of Social Studies Education at Wayne State University in the College of Education from 1949 to 1977. She served on several committees at Wayne State University such as Wayne State University Retirement Committee, the Wayne State University Council Public Relations Committee, the Wayne State University Calendar Committee, Wayne State University's Quarter System Committee, and Wayne State University's Committee on Teacher Education. This collection is comprised of the papers from these committees and the work that she contributed.

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## Biographical / Historical

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Ruth Ellsworth was born in 1908 and received her Bachelor of Arts from Western Michigan University, her Master of Arts from Columbia, and her Ph.D. in Philosophy from Northwestern University. She came to Wayne University in 1949 as an assistant professor and retired as a full professor in 1977. She was a professor of Social Studies Education in the College of Education and an important voice for children's welfare. Ellsworth was held in high esteem for her work with UNICEF over the years. Ellsworth was a member of several professional and civic groups, such as National Council for the Social Studies Board of Directors (1958 to 1960), Association for Student Teaching (1955 to 1957), Michigan Association for Student Teaching: President (1953 to 1955), National Education Association, Michigan Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development: Executive Board (1954 to 1957), and the Michigan Council for the Social Studies: Board of Directors (1965 to 1971). Ellsworth wrote several publications from 1948 to 1972 on elementary school education, social studies, and curriculum. Ruth Ellsworth passed away on July 14th, 2003 at age 94.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection contains materials from 1949 to 1971 that include papers, memos, reports, and correspondences from several committees such as the Wayne State University Retirement Committee, the Wayne State University Council Public Relations Committee, the Wayne State University Calendar Committee, Wayne State University's Quarter System Committee, and Wayne State University's Committee on Teacher Education.

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## Arrangement

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Folders are listed by their location within each box. The folders are arranged as Ellsworth arranged them, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entire collection. Additionally, there is one film reel that is in the Audiovisual Department.

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## Administrative Information

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Instances	
Wayne University Social Studies Club, 1949-1955	Box 1	Folder 1
Retirement, 1956-1959	Box 1	Folder 2
University Committee on Retirement Plan, 1958-1959	Box 1	Folder 3
University Council Public Relations Committee, 1961-1966	Box 1	Folder 4
Wayne State University Calendar Committee, 1958-1961	Box 1	Folder 5
Committee on the Quarter System, 1956-1961 (1 of 1)	Box 1	Folder 6
Committee on the Quarter System, 1956-1961 (2 of 2)	Box 1	Folder 7
University Committee on Teacher Education, 1961-1966 (1 of 2)	Box 1	Folder 8
University Committee on Teacher Education, 1961-1966 (2 of 2)	Box 1	Folder 9
Publications; Review of Educational Research: The Social Studies, October 1950	Box 1	Folder 10
Publications; Priorities for the Seventies, 1971	Box 1	Folder 11
Publications; Social Characteristics of Communities in the Detroit Area, 1963	Box 1	Folder 12
Detroit Education Materials, undated	Box 1	Folder 13
Convocation Program Keynote Address, undated	Box 1	Folder 14
Publications; Critical Thinking: It's Encouragement, May 1963	Box 1	Folder 15
Publications; Michigan Citizens Study Their Schools, 1956	Box 1	Folder 16