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Dr. Carolyn Rhodes

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Biographical or Historical Information

Friends of Women's Studies is the community support group for the Women's Studies program at Old Dominion University. The purpose of the Friends of Women's Studies is to preserve and strengthen the Women's Studies program at ODU, to educate the community and university about the program, and to underwrite functions of the Women's Studies program that are otherwise unfunded.

The Women's Studies program itself began in 1977 with a grant and was the first Women's Studies program in Virginia. Carolyn Rhodes was the coordinator of the pilot program which offered six courses relating to women's influences in society. It grew and expanded under the leadership of Nancy Topping Bazin (Women's Studies Director, 1978-1985). When she resigned in 1985, the future of the program seemed in doubt.

Carolyn Rhodes (Women's Studies Coordinator, 1977-78) mobilized professional women at ODU and in the community to form the Friends of Women's Studies to support the continuance of the Women's Studies program. Also involved were Ellen Mars (Women's Caucus President), Edie Harrison, Zelda Silverman, Sharon Adams, and Nellie Hayse (who was to become the first President of the Friends of Women's Studies). The group of women rounded up a support group, held meetings, and developed a constitution. The number of supporters grew and the organization began to take shape.

On January 25, 1986, an organizing committee of close to 80 women met for the inaugural event of the Friends of Women's Studies attended by hundreds. The initial tasks of the organization were to raise money for the Women's Studies program and to provide public lectures explaining exactly what Women's Studies was all about.

In 1990, the Friends of Women's Studies began funding the Women's Studies Student Essay Contest and the Women's Studies Junior Faculty Lecture. In 1995, when Women's Studies became a major, the Friends of Women's Studies started an endowment scholarship, named in honor of Carolyn Rhodes. They also began buying Women's Studies journals for the ODU Library. When Nancy Bazin retired in 1999, the Friends of Women's Studies raised money for an endowed scholarship for graduate students in her honor.

Friends of Women's Studies sponsors Work in Progress conferences in the community, provides support for an annual feminist activist fair, provides a mentoring program for Women's Studies students, produces the Like Minds newsletter, and hosts an annual dinner that includes speakers. Board members are made up of women professionals, faculty members, former Women's Studies students, and other individuals from the University and local community. Much of the success of the Women's Studies program comes from the support of the Friends of Women's Studies.

Note written by Special Collections Staff

Scope and Contents

This collection contains material related to the formation of the Friends of Women's Studies, the development arm of the Old Dominion University Department of Women's Studies. Included in the collection are administrative materials, such as bylaws and correspondence; news articles; newsletters; event invitations; information on grants and scholarships; and photographs.

Related Materials

Old Dominion University Department of Women's Studies Records (RG 17-28A).

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Arrangement Note

The collection is organized into six series: Series I: Administrative; Series II: Events; Series III: Grants and Scholarships; Series IV: Meetings; Series V: Newsletters/News Articles; and Series VI: Photographs.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Administrative

Unit ID Series I

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62726

Unit Date circa 1985-1999

Scope and Contents

This series contains administrative and business related materials including by-laws; correspondence; address lists; and promotional brochures for the organization.

Box 1

Unit ID Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62727

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Folder 1: Address List

Unit ID Folder 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62728

Unit Date 1996

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

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[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 1, Address List, 1996, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 2: Board of Directors Address List

Unit ID Folder 2

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62729

Unit Date 1986, 1992

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 2, Board of Directors Address List, 1986, 1992, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 3: Brochures

Unit ID Folder 3

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62730

Unit Date 1988-1998

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 3, Brochures, 1988-1998, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 4: Bylaws of Friends of Women's Studies

Unit ID Folder 4

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62738

Unit Date 1990, undated

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 4, Bylaws of Friends of Women's Studies, 1990, undated, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 5: Correspondence to Caucus members & Friends of Women's Studies

Unit ID Folder 5

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62739

Unit Date 1986-1999

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 5, Correspondence to Caucus members & Friends of Women's Studies, 1986-1999, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 6: Directory of Women Scholars of Hampton Roads

Unit ID Folder 6

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62740

Unit Date 1989-1990

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 6, Directory of Women Scholars of Hampton Roads, 1989-1990, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 7: "Talking Paper" Support Group for Women's Studies

Unit ID Folder 7

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62752

Unit Date 1985

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 7, "Talking Paper" Support Group for Women's Studies, 1985, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 23: Reference Material**Unit ID** Folder 23**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62760**Unit Date** 1989, undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 23 (folder)**Preferred Citation**

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 23, Reference Material, 1989, undated, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 24: Fundraising**Unit ID** Folder 24**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62761**Unit Date** circa 1988-1992**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 24 (folder)**Preferred Citation**

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 24, Fundraising, circa 1988-1992, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Series II: Events**Unit ID** Series II**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62731**Unit Date** circa 1986-2018**Scope and Contents**

This series contains event invitations for the various events and lectures, including the retirement party for Nancy Bazin and the appointment of Dr. Ellen Lewin as the director of Women's Studies in 1986. Also included is a program for the 1986 lecture series "Changing Perspectives for Women."

Box 1**Unit ID** Box 1**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62732**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Folder 8: Event Invitations****Unit ID** Folder 8**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62733**Unit Date** 1986-2018**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Preferred Citation**

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 8, Event Invitations, 1986-2018, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 9: Invitation to Reception--Dr. Ellen Lewin**Unit ID** Folder 9**Unit ID** /repositories/3/archival_objects/62734**Unit Date** 1986**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 9, Invitation to Reception--Dr. Ellen Lewin, 1986, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 10: Conferences and Programs

Unit ID Folder 10

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62735

Unit Date circa 1986-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 10, Conferences and Programs, circa 1986-1992, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Series III: Grants and Scholarships

Unit ID Series III

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62736

Unit Date 1983-1999

Scope and Contents

This series contains Endowed Lecture Grant Applications, and information on the Nancy Topping Bazin Graduate Scholarship and its recipients.

Box 1

Unit ID Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62737

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Folder 11: Endowed Lecture Grant Application I

Unit ID Folder 11

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62741

Unit Date 1983-1987

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 11, Endowed Lecture Grant Application I, 1983-1987, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 12: Endowed Lecture Grant Application II

Unit ID Folder 12

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62746

Unit Date 1983-1984

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 12, Endowed Lecture Grant Application II, 1983-1984, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 13: Scholarships

Unit ID Folder 13

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62747

Unit Date 1999

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 13, Scholarships, 1999, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Series IV: Meetings

Unit ID Series IV

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62742

Unit Date 1986-2005

Scope and Contents

This series contains meeting minutes, promotional materials for the Friends of Women's Studies Annual Dinner Meeting, and meeting invitations.

Box 1

Unit ID Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62743

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Folder 14: Annual Dinner Meetings

Unit ID Folder 14

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62744

Unit Date 1986-2005

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 14, Annual Dinner Meetings, 1986-2005, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 15: Friends of Women's Studies Meeting Invitations

Unit ID Folder 15

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62745

Unit Date 1986, 1996

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 15, Friends of Women's Studies Meeting Invitations, 1986, 1996, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 16: Meeting Minutes

Unit ID Folder 16

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62748

Unit Date 1986-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 16, Meeting Minutes, 1986-1992, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Series V: Newsletters/News Articles

Unit ID Series V

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62749

Unit Date 1986-2005

Scope and Contents

This series contains issues of the Like Minds newsletter, along with the group's first unnamed newsletter; news articles related to the formation of the Friends of Women's Studies; and an annotated copy of Belles Letters magazine.

Box 1

Unit ID Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62750

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Folder 17: Newsletters

Unit ID Folder 17

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62751

Unit Date 1986-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 17, Newsletters, 1986-1992, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 18: Like Minds Newsletter

Unit ID Folder 18

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62755

Unit Date 1998-2005

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 18, Like Minds Newsletter, 1998-2005, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 19: News Articles/Releases

Unit ID Folder 19

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62756

Unit Date 1986-2022

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 19, News Articles/Releases, 1986-2022, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 20: Belles Letters, Volume 10, Issue 3

Unit ID Folder 20

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62757

Unit Date 1995

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 20, Belles Letters, Volume 10, Issue 3, 1995, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Series VI: Photographs

Unit ID Series VI

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62753

Unit Date undated

Scope and Contents

This series contains various photos related to the Friends of Women's Studies including awards and celebrations.

Box 1

Unit ID Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62754

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Folder 21: College of Arts & Letters Photos

Unit ID Folder 21

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62758

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 21, College of Arts & Letters Photos, undated, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.

Folder 22: Unidentified Photo

Unit ID Folder 22

Unit ID /repositories/3/archival_objects/62759

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

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[Identification of item and date], Box 1, Folder 22, Unidentified Photo, undated, Friends of Women's Studies Records, Special Collections and University Archives, Old Dominion University Libraries.