

Elvi Whittaker fonds

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Fonds Description

Elvi Whittaker fonds. – 1989-~~1996~~[2004](#).

1.52 m of textual records.

~~and~~ 1 CD-ROM.

Biographical Sketch

Elvi W. Whittaker received her bachelor's and master's degrees in sociology from UBC in 1955 and 1957, respectively, and later earned a second M.A. (1971) and doctorate (1973) in anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley. She returned to UBC as a visiting assistant professor of anthropology in 1973; she was appointed associate professor in 1975, and full professor in 1991. Dr. Whittaker has served as the President of the Canadian Anthropology Society / Société canadienne d'anthropologie (CASCA) and as President of the Social Science Federation of Canada (SSFC) (1993-94) and was a Member of the Board (1989-95). She also served as a Chair of the Scientific Steering Committee of Management of Social Transformations (MOST) Programme, UNESCO (1994-97) and consultant to UNESCO. Dr. Whittaker also served in the following positions: Anthropological representative on Aid to Scholarly Publications (1991-93) and on SSFC Women's Issues (1991-93), on the Task force on the Royal Commission on New Reproductive Technologies, and chair of Scholarly Book Awards (1992). She retired in 1997 and received an honorary degree (LL.D.) from UBC in 2005. Dr. Whittaker has been awarded the Weaver-Tremblay Award for Distinguished Service (2004) and Women's Network's Lifetime Achievement Award (2011) by CASCA. She was awarded the UBC School of Nursing Centenary Medal of Distinction in 2019.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of Dr. Whittaker's records as a member of the SSFC and MOST. It includes records of the meetings of various committees, councils, and panels in which Dr. Whittaker attended as well as records of various issues and topics related to SSFC and MOST activities. Fonds consists of minutes, pamphlets, correspondence, reports, newspaper clippings and publications.

Notes

File list available.

Language is predominantly English, but some documents are in French.

Series Descriptions

Association Meetings series. – 1989-1995.

36 cm of textual records.

Series consists of records of various meetings of the SSFC in which Elvi Whittaker attended including Board of Director, Executive Council, General Assembly and Women's Issues Network Meetings. Series consists of minutes, reports, and publications.

Subject Files series. – 1989-1996.

61 cm of textual records.

Series consists of files arranged by topic relating to Elvi Whittaker in her capacity as a member of the SSFC and includes correspondence, pamphlets, reports, newspaper clippings and publications.

Management of Social Transformations series. – 1989-2004.

55 cm of textual records.

1 CD-ROM.

Series consists of files arranged by topic relating to Whittaker in her capacity as a chair of UNESCO's Scientific Steering Committee which advises the Management of Social Transformations (MOST) Programme and consultant to UNESCO. Series consists of correspondence, minutes, pamphlets, project applications, publications, and reports.

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