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Summary Information

Repository	Sarah Lawrence College Archives
Title	Black Studies Records
Date [inclusive]	1967-1973
Extent	0.5 linear feet 1 document box
Language	English
Text [Box]	1

Historical note

In May 1968, during a time of intense social change and upheaval at Sarah Lawrence College and around the country, the newly formed Black Students Association, brought a proposal, "Proposal Concerning Incorporation of the Black Experience in the Curriculum" to the Dean of the College, Jacquelyn Mattfeld and President Esther Raushenbush. As a result, new coursework in Social Change and Black Studies was instituted in 1968-69 along with a lecture series, "Black Steps Toward Social Change." The Black Students Association also requested that the College hire a Black Studies Coordinator to counsel black students. The first coordinator was Samuel Anderson, hired in 1969. In the 1969-70 academic year, with the help of Samuel Anderson and students, the Black Social Change Institute came into being. Each year thereafter, the Black Studies curriculum grew at Sarah Lawrence. After Samuel Anderson, Sidney Black, Jr. was appointed Black Studies Coordinator in 1972, but he resigned in 1973, leaving the position unfilled.

Scope and Contents note

The records consist of material regarding the establishment and maintenance of the Black Studies curriculum in the late 1960s and early 1970s. Included are the correspondence files of Samuel Anderson and Sidney Black, Black Studies Coordinators, and Black faculty members. Also includes documentation on the proposal for the Partners in Education Program, by Jewel Cobb. Some minutes of the Black Studies and Social Change Faculty Group can be found in the Social Change folder for 1969. Arranged alphabetically by folder title.

Arrangement note

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Administrative Information

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Terms of use

Student signatures and names may not be photocopied. Material relating to hiring and personnel may not be photocopied. Otherwise, this collection is open to researchers without restriction.

Related Materials

See also

Curriculum Committee Meeting Minutes: -September 26, 1968, pp. 2-3 -January 16, 1969, pp. 2-3 - March 10, 1969, p. 3 -March 20, 1969, p. 2 -April 10, 1969, p. 2 -December 11, 1969, p. 2 -December 18, 1969, pp. 1-4 (and attachments) -January 7, 1970, pp. 1-6 (and attachments) -January 8, 1970, pp. 1-3, 6-7 (and attachments) -January 29, 1970, p. 1 (and attachment) -February 26, 1970, p. 1 -March 19, 1970, p. 3 (and attachment) -April 9, 1970, pp. 1-4 (and attachments) -April 16, 1970, pp. 1-2 (and attachments) - April 27, 1970, pp. 2-6 -May 21, 1970 (only agenda available) -May 28, 1970, pp. 1-3 (and attachments)

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Sarah Lawrence College.

Personal Name(s)

- Anderson, S. E. , (Sam E.)
- Black, Sidney S., Jr., 1944-

- Cobb, Jewel Plummer, 1924-

Subject(s)

- Black studies
- Student movements

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Anderson, Samuel – Black Studies Coordinator 1969-1971	1	1
Black, Sidney – Black Studies Coordinator 1972-1973	1	2
Black Curriculum and Black Faculty 1968-1972	1	3
Exhibition of Falasha Art 1971	1	3a
Intercollegiate Black Studies Institute 1970	1	4
President DeCarlo Memo on Financial Aid and Black Studies 1970	1	5
Proposal for a Black Social Change Consortium 1971	1	6
Proposed Project for Counseling Black Students 1972	1	7
Search Committee for Black Studies Coordinator 1971	1	8
Social Change 1967-1968	1	9
Social Change 1969	1	10
Social Change 1970-1971	1	11