Descriptive Summary

Title: Carlos Munoz papers


Collection Number: CS ARC 2016/1

Creator/Collector: Munoz, Carlos

Extent: 28 Cartons, 12 Boxes, 1 oversize folder (38.25 linear feet)

Repository: UC Berkeley. Ethnic Studies Library

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Abstract: The Carlos Muñoz papers contain materials relating to Chicano/Latino and Ethnic Studies, particularly with a focus on Chicano political and social movements. The collection is arranged in five series. Professional activities include biographical information, general correspondence, conference materials, speaking engagements, advising and consulting. Writings contain papers, chapters, and articles written or co-authored by Muñoz, including several articles written for the Political Science Quarterly symposium on Protest Is Not Enough (1986). There are many draft and edited versions of Muñoz's book, Youth, Identity, Power: The Chicano Movement, published in 1989. Also contains extensive background research materials for a future publication on Ernesto Galarza which are RESTRICTED until September 30, 2020. The Teaching series includes some materials relating to Muñoz’s earlier teaching positions, with the majority relating to his faculty position at the University of California, Berkeley. These include Ethnic Studies Department history information; administrative records; committees; program requirements; curriculum and instructional materials. There are general UCB subject files including affirmative action, faculty diversity, and protests. There are also files of other higher education institutions with Ethnic Studies classes and programs, particularly San Francisco State University Third World Strike information. The Organizations series includes those for which Muñoz was an officer, member, or participant. They include American Political Science Association (APSA), Faculty for Human Rights in El Salvador and Central America (FACHRES), La Raza Unida Party, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF), Mexican American Movement (MAM), Movimiento Estudiantil de Aztlan (MeCHA), and Western Political Science Association (WPSA). The subject reference files relate to Muñoz’s research for his writings, teaching, and professional activity. They include materials on activists, Chicano Movement, communities, education, farm workers, Latin America, politics and politicians.

Language of Material: English

Access

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Acquisition Information

The Carlos Muñoz papers were given to the Ethnic Studies Library by Carlos Muñoz in May, 1992. Additions were made in November 2001 and May 2016.

Biography/Administrative History

Carlos Muñoz, Jr., was born in 1939 in the segregated Segundo Barrio in El Paso, Texas, to poor Mexican immigrant workers. He received his Ph.D. in Government from the Claremont Graduate School in 1973. He began his teaching career in 1969 when he became the founding chair of the first Mexican American Studies Department in the nation at the California State University at Los Angeles. He joined the faculty in the Comparative Cultures Program at the University of California, Irvine, in 1970 and later the faculty in the Department of Ethnic Studies at the University of California, Berkeley in 1976, where he retired in 2000. He was a pioneer in the creation of undergraduate and graduate curricula in the disciplines of Chicano/Latino and Ethnic Studies in higher education and served as the founding chair of the National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies. As a scholar-activist, he played a leadership role in the development of the Chicano Civil Rights Movement and various multiracial movements for social justice and peace from the 1960s until his retirement. He received numerous awards for his scholarship and public intellectual activism. His book Youth, Identity, Power (1989) was
the first full-length work on the origins of the Chicano Movement.

Scope and Content of Collection

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