
Guide to the Academic Departments and Schools Series, American Jewish University Archives (Institutional Records)

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Descriptive Summary

Identifier/Call Number: CaLaAJUL1_Series5

Title: Academic Departments and Schools, American Jewish University Archives (Institutional Records)

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Collector: American Jewish University; University of Judaism; Brandeis-Bardin Institute (Brandeis, Simi Valley, Calif.)

Repository: University Archives and Ostrow Library, American Jewish University

15600 Mulholland Dr.

Bel-Air, California 90077

Extent: 7 Boxes (Boxes 15-21)

Location: Physical files are housed at the Ostrow Library of the American Jewish University.

Abstract: The records in this series contain materials related to Academic Departments and Schools (Series 5). Please see the finding aids for specific schools and departments for details about each subseries.

Language: Materials are in English and Hebrew

Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information:

Collected by various members of the American Jewish University.

Scope and Content:

The records in this series contain materials related to Academic Departments and Schools (Series 5). Please see the finding aids for specific schools and departments for further details about each subseries.

The American Jewish University Archive is a collection of documents, pamphlets, recordings, letters, publications, photographs, scrapbooks, and ephemera that document the history of the University of Judaism and the Brandeis-Bardin Institute which merged to become American Jewish University in 2007, depicting people, places and events at both

campuses.

Organization:

The collection is Series 5: Academic Departments and Schools.

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Subseries 2. Graduate School 1947-1974

Subseries 3. University Institute 1960-1976

Subseries 4. Fine Arts Department 1953-1960

Subseries 5. School of Fine Arts 1961-1972

Subseries 6. Earl Warren Institute of Ethics and Human Relations 1961-1985

Subseries 7. Hebrew Teachers College & the College of Judaica 1961-1972

Subseries 8. Graduate School of Judaica 1971-1987

Subseries 9. Fine Arts Program & the Center for the Arts in Jewish Life 1974-1991

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Subseries 16. Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies 1991-2014

Subseries 17. American Jewish University College in Israel (AJUCI) 1995

Subseries 18. The College of Arts and Sciences 1990-2014

Subseries 19. Graduate School of Nonprofit Management ca. 2000-2010

American Jewish University:

The [American Jewish University](#) , with its Familian campus in Bel Air, California and Brandeis-Bardin campus in Simi Valley, California, is the outcome of the 2007 union of Brandeis-Bardin Institute (BBI) and the University of Judaism (UJ).

In 1947, the University of Judaism was founded in Los Angeles, the vision of Dr. Mordecai Kaplan, the author of Judaism as a Civilization, who advocated the creation of an educational institution incorporating diverse elements of Jewish civilization and culture under one roof. To carry out his dream, he received the support of the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York and the Bureau of Jewish Education of Los Angeles.

Six years earlier, BCI was founded by Dr. Shlomo Bardin to safeguard against assimilation of young American Jews by making "the great ethical heritage of Judaism" relevant to them. Brandeis Camp Institute was named to honor our nation's first Jewish Supreme Court Justice, Louis D. Brandeis, who was instrumental as the visionary and primary funder of Dr. Bardin's initial programmatic endeavor. BBI was located for brief periods of time in Amherst, NH, Winterdale, PA and Hendersonville, NC before finding its home in 1947 in Simi Valley.

For more information, please see our history page at the following link: <http://aboutus.aju.edu/default.aspx?id=4742> .

The Bel and Jack M. Ostrow Academic Library:

[The Ostrow Library](#) , is designed to meet the needs of the University's faculty and students, as well as scholars conducting research in all fields of Jewish culture and civilization. Members of the general public are also invited to use the Library's materials for personal enrichment and enjoyment. With approximately 110,000 print volumes, the library's collections have grown consistently through endowments, gifts of major private collections and an ongoing acquisition program.

The Burton Sperber Memorial Jewish Community Library of Los Angeles:

[The Burton Sperber Jewish Community Library](#) at American Jewish University now serves as the official Jewish Community Library of Los Angeles. This new library succeeds the original Peter M. Kahn Jewish Community Library that was formerly housed at the Los Angeles Jewish Federation. Dedicated by his family in memory of noted Los Angeles philanthropist and landscape developer Burton Sperber, this library welcomes the entire Los Angeles Jewish community to enjoy its state-of-the-art facility including regularly scheduled programs for children and families as well as author and other literary encounters.

The Lowy-Winkler Family Rare Book Center:

[The Lowy-Winkler Family Rare Book Center](#) , a gift of Peter and Janine Lowy, is home to the Maslan Bible Collection. This unusual assemblage of exceptional volumes includes approximately 4,000 Bibles, some dating back almost to the inception of the printing press. This collection also features bible translations representing most of the written languages of the world, as well as the Kalman-Friedman Collection of Italian Judaica.

The University Archives:

The [University Archives](#) of the American Jewish University is a collection of documents, pamphlets, recordings, letters, publications, photographs, scrapbooks, and ephemera that document the history of the University of Judaism and the Brandeis-Bardin Institute which merged to become American Jewish University in 2007, depicting people, places and events at both campuses.

Photograph and Digital Archive:

The American Jewish University [Digital Archive](#) includes photographs, scrapbooks, and ephemera that document the history of the University of Judaism and the Brandeis-Bardin Institute which merged to become American Jewish University in 2007, depicting people, places and events at both campuses. These photographs include great Jewish thinkers who founded AJU and were involved with its growth over the years. The creation of both institutions was made possible by philanthropists to whom we owe the building of University of Judaism and the Brandeis-Bardin Institute.

Audio-Visual Archive:

The American Jewish University [Audio-Visual Archive](#) is a collection of audio-visual records of lectures, shows, and events taking place at or produced by the American Jewish University (formerly University of Judaism and Brandeis-Bardin Institute) over the years.

Louis Shub Documentation Center:

The [Louis Shub Documentation Center](#) at the American Jewish University is a collection of thousands of articles from various newspapers and periodicals covering a range of subjects. Gathered by Dr. Shub, the former library director of the University of Judaism, the collection was used by students to research subjects such as Israeli and Jewish figures, Foreign Policy, Global Jewish Communities, Israel, the Middle East and many other issues and subjects. The importance of this collection is the juxtaposing of articles from major papers with those of small local papers both covering the same event. The finding aid to the collection can be viewed at:

<http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c85h7jcf/>

Subjects:

Note

(Library of Congress Subject Headings)

Personal and Corporate Names:

American Jewish University
Brandeis-Bardin Institute (Brandeis, Simi Valley, Calif.)
University of Judaism
Camp Ramah.
Women's League for Conservative Judaism
United Synagogue of America.
Jewish Theological Seminary of America.
National Women's League
University Women of the University of Judaism
Sinai Temple (Los Angeles, Calif.)
Shub, Louis
Lieber, David L.
Greenberg, Simon, 1901-
Wexler, Robert
Turner, Justin G.
Fligelman, Julius, 1895-1980
Heschel, Abraham Joshua, 1907-1972
Kohn, Jacob, 1881-1968

Swig, Benjamin Harrison, 1893-1980
Pressman, Jacob;
Kaplan, Mordecai Menahem, 1881-1983
Finkelstein, Louis, 1895-1991
Levine, Sid
Wise, Aaron M.
Vorspan, Max
Zemach, Benjamin
Helfman, Max
Warren, Earl, 1891-1974
Eisenshtat, Sidney, 1914-2005
Gindi, Elie M.
Bergman, Martin
Jospe, Erwin
Alexander, Hanan A., 1953-
Bradley, Tom, 1917-1998
Dorff, Elliot N.
Cohen, Gerson D. (Gerson David), 1924-
Dortort, David
Goodhill, Victor, 1911-
Gordis, David M.
Schulweis, Harold M.
Glass, Judith
Ray, Eric
Krems, Nathan
Ackerman, Walter I.
Kahn, Peter M., 1878- [from old catalog]
Gordis, Robert, 1908-
Wolfson, Ron
Cohen, Aryeh
Oppenheim, Lois Hecht
Schary, Dore
Zevit, Ziony
Familian, Isadore
Seewack, Benjamin
Ostrow, Jack
Ostrow, Bel
Easton, Harold

Subjects and Indexing Terms

General Subjects:

Judaism.
Zionism and Judaism.
Israel.
Education.
College presidents.
Jewish college presidents
Rabbis.
Philanthropists

Scholars.
Art.
Patrons of education
Board of directors--United States.
College administrators
Libraries.
Jewish artists
Jewish college teachers
Authors.
Faculty, University
Women.
Musicians
College campuses.

Box 15-21

Series: 5.

Academic Departments and Schools 1947-2014

Physical Description: 7 Boxes

Scope and Content Note

This series contains materials related to various schools and academic departments including various Undergraduate, Graduate and Continuing Education programs of the University throughout the years. Please see the finding aids for specific schools and departments for further details about each subseries.

5.1 School of Education 1947-1962

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_5

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8vm4fgn>

5.2 Graduate School 1947-1974

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_6

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8qv3prx>

5.3 University Institute 1960-1976

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_7

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c81z46n0>

5.4 Fine Arts Department 1953-1960

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_8

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8x63q51>

5.5 School of Fine Arts 1961-1972

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_9

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8jq137q>

5.6 Earl Warren Institute of Ethics and Human Relations 1961-1985

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_10

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8dz0bj6>

5.7 Hebrew Teachers College & the College of Judaica 1961-1972

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_11

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8736t4q>

5.8 Graduate School of Judaica 1971-1987

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_12

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8251mfh>

5.9 Fine Arts Program & the Center for the Arts in Jewish Life 1974-1991

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_13

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c85x2c5x>

5.10 Adult College of Jewish Studies 1973-1978

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_14

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8pr7z67>

5.11 University College of Jewish Studies 1972-1984

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_15

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8k076hn>

5.12 David Lieber School of Graduate Studies ca. 1978-1999

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_16

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8w95cfz>

5.13 Continuing Education (Department of Continuing Education/Whizin Center for Continuing Education) 1977-2014

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_17

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8qf8w43>

5.14 Norman and Sadie Lee College 1982-1999

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_18

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8v69mvd>

5.15 William and Freda Fingerhut School of Education 1984-2014

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_19

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c84j0hdv>

5.16 Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies 1991-2014

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_20

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8d220wb>

5.17 American Jewish University College in Israel (AJUCI) 1995

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_21

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8ht2rnx>

5.18 The College of Arts and Sciences 1990-2014

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_22

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8891851>

5.19 Graduate School of Nonprofit Management ca. 2000-2010

Scope and Content Note

Finding Aid ID: CaLaAJUL1_23

Finding Aid Link: <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c80r9rpk>
