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Historical note
The African Studies Center was established in 1959 and renamed the James S. Coleman African Studies Center on May 11, 1989. It was renamed in honor of its founding director, James S. Coleman. The Center is a multidisciplinary program with a core faculty who conduct research and teach courses on Africa and is dedicated to the production and dissemination of knowledge about Africa, ranging from cutting-edge research in the social, human and natural sciences to K-12 outreach and pedagogical reform.
Scope and Content
Record Series 783 contains the administrative files of the James S. Coleman African Studies Center. Files include publications; proposal and grant documents; reports and reviews; conference and event documents; and photographs.
This is an active record series; additional University records are expected to be added.

Publications. Series 1.

Box 4

Scope and Contents note
A publication dedicated to the life of James Smoot Coleman, the founder and first director of the African Studies Center.
**Box 4**

- **Extent:** 5 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**

**Box 4**

**African Studies Center newsletter. 1969-2005.**
- **Extent:** 11 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**

**Box 4**

**Cover of African Musicology: Current Trends, Vol. 1. n.d.**

**Intercom. 1989-2001.**
- **Extent:** 2 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes Volume 11, Number 14; Volume 12, Number 5; Volume 13, Numbers 2, 9, 12, 14; Volume 14, Numbers 2, 7; Volume 15, Numbers 2, 6, 14, 15; Volume 16, Numbers 4, 5, 7; Volume 18, Number 5; Volume 21, Number 2; Volume 23, Number 3. Also includes Special Issues published in March 1992 and December 1993.

**Box 4**

**James Smoot Coleman Occasional Paper Series (JSCOPS) papers. 1993-2000.**
- **Extent:** 2 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**

**Box 4**

**Journal of African Studies. 1986.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes Volume 13, Number 1 published in Spring 1986.

**Box 4**

**Masa Afrique en scenes publication. 1995 Apr.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Bi-lingual publication with information about African musical performance groups.

**Administrative Files. Series 2.**

**Box 2**

**A Resource for the Global Age video script. 1995.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes drafts and a final version of the video script.
Box 2  African environment working group files. 1998.
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes correspondence and articles on holding a conference on environmental issues in
   Africa.

Box 2  African language summer institute at Yale. 1993.
Box 2  African Studies Center newsletter material. 1992; 1997.
   Extent: 2 folders
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes drafts and submission notices for the Fall 1992 and Fall 1997 editions of the
   African Studies Center newsletter.

   Scope and Contents note
   Includes correspondence from outreach coordinators from African studies programs at
   Indiana University and the University of Wisconsin.

   Scope and Contents note
   Includes project description, correspondence, and meeting notes for the African Virtual
   University being developed by the World Bank.

Box 2  Building on Strong Foundations: Fundraising and Program Priorities for the Future-
Box 2  Correspondence and memoranda. 1977-2001.
   Extent: 2 folders
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes miscellaneous correspondence and memoranda sent to and from the African
   Studies Center.

   Extent: 3 folders
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes three annual reports from the James S. Coleman African Studies Center reporting
   on how it allocated funding received from the Department of Education.

Box 2  Department of Education site visit file. 1995 May.
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes files pertaining to visit by program officer Sara West.

   Extent: 2 folders
   Scope and Contents note
   Includes files from the years that Professor Edmund Keller served as the director of the
   James S. Coleman African Studies Center (JSCASC).

   Scope and Contents note
   Includes educational information and research interests of faculty, research associates,
   graduate students, and visiting scholars involved in African studies.

Box 2  Faculty advisory committee files. 1993-1994.
   Extent: 2 folders
Box 2  **Faculty Africanists lists. 1961-1979.**

Scope and Contents note


Box 2  **Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) and Title VI files. 1991; 1993-2000.**

Extent: 13 folders

Scope and Contents note


Box 2  **Higher Education Act and Title VI files. 1980; 1983-1984; 1987.**

Extent: 2 folders

Scope and Contents note

Includes correspondence supporting increased government funding for international studies programs.

Box 2  **International and area studies summer institute for educators. 1996; 1997.**

Extent: 2 folders

Box 2  **International and area studies summer institute for precollegiate and community college educators. 1993.**

Box 3  **Institute for the Study of Gender in Africa (ISGA). 1994-2000.**

Extent: 14 folders

Scope and Contents note

Includes general information, proposals, event information, correspondence, meeting minutes, and budget information.

Box 3  **James S. Coleman African Studies Center (JSCASC) capital campaign files. 1992-1995.**

Extent: 2 folders

Scope and Contents note

Includes correspondence, proposals, and reports pertaining to the fund raising efforts of the African Studies Center.

Box 3  **James S. Coleman African Studies Center biographical files. 1978-1986; 1993; 1999.**

Extent: 3 folders

Scope and Contents note

Includes biographical and educational information about past directors of the African Studies Center. Includes directors James S. Coleman, Michael Lofchie, Merrick Posnansky, Leo Kuper, Edmond Keller, Boniface Obichere, and Benjamin Thomas.

Box 3  **James S. Coleman African Studies Center outreach files. 1994-1995.**
Box 3  
**James S. Coleman African Studies Center (JSCASC) development files. 1993.**
- **Extent:** 3 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes correspondence, proposals, and reports pertaining to the fund raising efforts of the African Studies Center.

Box 3  
**Job applications, resumes, and CVs. 1992-1999.**
- **Extent:** 2 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes job applications, resumes, and CVs of individuals who applied for or inquired about employment with the African Studies Center.

Box 3  
**John A. Marcum / University of Natal meeting file. 1995.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes correspondence and notes from meetings exploring the possibility of a partnership between the University of California and the University of Natal.

Box 3  
**Kennedy Center African Arts Collaborative file. 1997.**

Box 3  
**M&J Travel, Touring and Business Services Center meeting file. 1996 Mar 15.**

Box 3  
**Marcus Garvey papers project. 1993.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes correspondence and notes relating to the project.

Box 3  
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes information on student financial aid, the MAAS program, incoming students, course offerings, a list of UCLA dissertations about Africa, the Academic Senate report on the interdepartmental program in African Area Studies, and miscellaneous announcements.

Box 3  
**Mayor's task force file. 1985.**
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes correspondence between the office of Mayor Tom Bradley and the African Studies Center.

Box 3  
**Program priorities funding planning documents. 1998.**

Box 3  
**South African internship program file. 1994.**

Box 3  

Box 3  
**UC African Studies working group file. 1993-1997.**

Box 3  
**Visiting scholars biographical files. 1993-1994; 1999.**
- **Extent:** 2 folders
- **Scope and Contents note**
  Includes biographical information and educational history for individuals being considered for positions as visiting scholars as well as additional information about the research interests of the scholars selected.

Box 6  
**Oye Oye daran diskette. n.d.**
- **General note**
  Contents of the diskette have not been confirmed.

**Proposals, Grants, Agreements. Series 3.**

Box 1  
Box 1  African Women bibliography project proposal. 1990.
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes the proposal submitted by the African Studies Center for the Annotated

     Extent: 3 folders
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes agreements with the Centre d'Etude d'Afrique Noire of the University of
     Bordeaux, the University of Western Cape, the University of Swaziland, the University of
     Ghana, the University of Zululand, the University of Natal-Durban, and the Africa Institute
     of South Africa Pretoria. Also includes a proposal to form a National Consortium for
     Collaborative Academic Study in Africa.

Box 1  Enhancing Outreach Programs on Africa at UCLA: The Development of Multimedia
     Resources proposal. 1998.

Box 1  Establishing a Foundation for Multimedia Outreach on Africa: A Proposal to the

Box 1  Fund raising activities proposal. n.d.


Box 1  Grant proposals. 1998-2000.
     Extent: 5 folders
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes proposals submitted to the World Bank, the Spencer Foundation, the Bill and
     Melinda Gates Foundation, and Ford Foundation.

Box 1  International Center for African Music and Dance proposal. 1991.
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes a proposal to establish the center at the University of Ghana.

Box 1  International Studies and Overseas Programs (ISOP) grants file. 1984-1985.
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes a letter and summary report on how the funding from the William and Flora
     Hewlett Foundation Grant was being used.

Box 1  James S. Coleman African Studies Center publication proposal. n.d.

Box 1  James S. Coleman memorial lecture proposal. 1995.

Box 1  Liberalization and Democratization in Africa conference proposal. 1992.

Box 1  Proposal for a National Resource Center African Langauge and Area Program. 1993
     Nov.
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes the final draft of the proposal submitted by Professor Edmund J. Keller, director
     of the African Studies Center to the U.S. Department of Education.

Box 1  Reader's Digest grant proposal. 1993.
     Scope and Contents note
     Includes drafts and a final version of the application submitted for the Lila Wallace
     Reader's Digest Community Folklife Program grant.

Box 1  Regime Change and Democratization Revisited in Comparative Perspective
     conference proposal. n.d.

Box 1  UCLA Center for International and Strategic Affairs proposal. 1985.
Box 1  **UCLA New African Initiative proposal. 1997.**
Scope and Contents note
Includes drafts and a final report of the UCLA New Africa Initiative which includes a proposal to establish the East African Uongozi Institute intended to promote collaboration with east African institutions of higher education.

Box 1  **United States Information Agency (USIA) South Africa/Namibia Education application. 1998.**
Scope and Contents note
Includes the final version of the application submitted to the United States Information Agency for the 1998 Summer institute for Educators from South Africa and Namibia.

Box 1  **United States Institute of Peace (USIP) proposal. 1993.**
Extent: 2 folders
Scope and Contents note
Includes the proposal submitted to the United States Institute of Peace (USIP) and information about the "Towards A New African Order?" conference funded by the USIP.

**Reports and Reviews. Series 4.**

Box 1  **African Area Studies program report. 1993.**
Box 1  **African Studies Center five year review. 1974; 1979; 1987; 1992; 1997.**
Extent: 5 folders
General note

Box 1  **African Studies Center internal audit report. 1985.**
Box 1  **African Studies student enrollment report. 1994-1995.**
Box 1  **Faculty retreat minutes. 1993.**
Scope and Contents note
Includes minutes and agendas for the African Studies Center faculty retreat. Also includes the documents of the retreat planning committee and memos and correspondence pertaining to the retreat.

Box 1  **Graduate Council Review of the Interdepartmental Program in African Area Studies and Response of the Committee. 1987-1988.**
Extent: 2 folders

Box 1  **James S. Coleman African Studies Center history file. 1994.**
Scope and Contents note
Includes several drafts of a brief report on the history of the African Studies Center from its establishment in 1959 to 1994.

Box 1  **Master of Arts in African Area Studies (MAAS) degree program five year review. 1975; 1980.**
Extent: 2 folders

Box 1  **National Resource Center and African Language and Area Studies Fellowship Program performance report. 1993-1994.**

Box 1  **UCLA area studies programs status reports. 1979-1984.**
Box 1  UCLA Committee on International and Comparative Studies activities report. 1975 Oct.

Scope and Contents note
Includes a report about the African Studies Center, its resources, publications and the conferences, research projects, and seminars for the academic years 1970 to 1975 to be included in the second edition of the publication International and Comparative Studies at UCLA.


Scope and Contents note
Includes correspondence voicing concerns about the review committee for Ufahamu, the student produced journal of the African Activists Association, and correspondence in response to the suspension of financial support for Ufahamu. Also includes correspondence between the African Studies Center and the African Activists Association regarding editorial control of Ufahamu once it was reinstated.

Conference and Event Files. Series 5.

Box 4  180 Degrees: Contemporary Art from sub-Saharan Africa exhibition file. 1995.

Scope and Contents note
Includes exhibition fliers, correspondence, press releases, planning information, related to the exhibition. The exhibition covers part one of three parts which includes artwork from Zambia, Zimbabwe, and South Africa and is presented by the Trees Collection.


Box 4  African Studies Association of Young Scholars. 1993.

Scope and Contents note
Includes a memorandum concerning the African Studies Association of Young Scholars (ASAYS) conference and a proposed draft of the constitution and statement of purpose for the ASAYS.


Scope and Contents note
Includes seminar flyers and planning notes.


Extent: 2 folders
Scope and Contents note
Includes correspondence pertaining to the visit and lecture of Ali Mazrui to the African Studies Center in May 1993.

Box 4  Boniface Obichere memorial service. 1997.

Box 5  Co-sponsored lectures file. 1998.

Scope and Contents note
Includes planning documents, flyers, etc. for lectures sponsored jointly by the James S. Coleman African Studies Center and other UCLA departments.


Scope and Contents note
Includes correspondence, proposal drafts, speech drafts, and proceedings for the Council on Foundations site visit to UCLA.

Box 5  Dr. James Kamusikiri correspondence file. 1998.
Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes a poster advertising the event and a certificate awarded to the James S. Coleman African Studies Center.

Box 5

Box 5
Extent: 5 folders
Scope and Contents note
Includes correspondence and other documentation pertaining to the planning and execution of the Harper's Weekly Exhibit, "The Media: Shaping the Imagery of a People."

Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes event flyers.

Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes programs from conferences sponsored by the James S. Coleman African Studies Center.

Box 5
Scope and Contents note

Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes a conference program and a published version of the conference proceedings.

Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes invitation, graduation program, and planning documents for the 1995 graduation.

Box 5
Master of Arts in African Area Studies (MAAS) commencement programs. 1995-1996.
Scope and Contents note
Includes programs, flyers, and invitations.

Box 5

Box 5
Scope and Contents note
Includes invitations and mailings for the events.

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Box 5
Soumano Sako Regent's lecture file. 1996.
Box 5
South African Film Festival files. 1995-1996.
Extent: 2 folders

Box 5
Box 5  Yoruba Culture and Ethics conference information packet. 1999 Feb 4-7.
Scope and Contents note
Includes a schedule, flyer, registration form for the event.


Box 6  African Arts photos. 1981 Nov.
Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs of African art, primarily stone carvings and sculptures.

Scope and Contents note
Contains 1 album. Includes photos of the Chinua Achebe reading at the Los Angeles Hilton and the 25th anniversary luncheon symposium on Igbo arts at UCLA.

Box 6  African Studies Center Nigerian art and reception. n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Includes fifty-six slides of artwork, exhibits, and people in attendance at the "Treasures of Ancient Nigeria: Legacy of Two Thousand Years" exhibit.

Box 6  African Studies Center publication proof sheets. n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Includes page layouts with photos and captions of events and people affiliated with the center.

Box 6  African Studies Center renaming ceremony. 1989.
Scope and Contents note
Contains 1 album. Includes photographs from the ceremony to rename the African Studies Center the James S. Coleman African Studies Center after its founder and first director.
General note
Folder contains a photocopy of the original album layout. Original photos are located in the African Studies Center folder in record series 100 (photograph files; reference collection).

Box 6  African Studies Center unidentified slides. 1989 Sep.
Extent: 2 folders
Scope and Contents note
Folder one includes twenty-three slides of activities, attendees, and speakers for an unidentified event. Folder two includes sixty-eight slides of African art work, primarily stone carvings and statues.

Box 6  Bunche Hall photos. n.d.
Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs of the exterior of Bunche Hall.

Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs from the initial opening.

Box 6  Education forum on the Congo. n.d.

Box 6


Scope and Contents note
Includes a proof sheet of photos taken during the visit of the Liberian president (1982), photographs from the botanical gardens (1992), the tribute to the life and work of Ken Saro-Wiwa (1995), the ICAN Foundation Choir and the Sibikwa Players (1996 Jan), the 100th Celebration of the Battle of Adwa (1996 Apr), and Africa Day (1999 Jun).

Box 6

**Faculty, student, and visitor photos. 1957; 1990; 1995-1996; 1998; 2002; n.d.**

Scope and Contents note

Box 6

**Grahamstown, South Africa. n.d.**

Scope and Contents note
Includes three panoramic photographs. One overlooking the city of Grahamstown. One from the British settlers’ monument. One of unidentified young men.

Box 6

**James S. Coleman African Studies Center 40th Anniversary Celebration. 2000 Apr 15.**

Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs and proofs from the event.

Box 6


Scope and Contents note

Box 6

**Master of Arts in African Area Studies (MAAS) graduation. 1995; 1997.**

Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs from graduation ceremonies and related events.

Box 6

**Miscellaneous negatives. n.d.**

Box 6

**National summit on Africa. n.d.**

Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs from the Economic Development, Trade and Investment, and Job Creation session, the Democracy and Human Rights session, and the Education and Culture session of the summit.

Box 6

**Office pictures. 1990-1999.**

Box 6

**Olusegun Obasanjo visit. 1994.**

Scope and Contents note
Includes photographs of the visit of Olusegun Obasanjo while he was serving as the president of Nigeria.
| Box 6 | **Summer institute for teachers. 1998; 1999.** |
| Box 6 | **The Pride of the Nation. 1995.** |
|       | **Scope and Contents note** |
|       | Includes a cassette tape recording of the compact disc and photocopies of the compact disc cover and inserts. Also includes photocopies of information about the national anthem of South Africa and the lyrics to "God Bless Africa". |
| Box 6 | **Unidentified photos. 1980-2000.** |
|       | **Scope and Contents note** |
|       | Includes unidentified photographs of events and African Studies Center office pictures. |
| Box 6 | **Uongozi. 1998 Aug.** |
|       | **Scope and Contents note** |
|       | Includes photographs that appear to be from a trip to Africa. |
| Box 6 | **Which Way Africa conference. 1999 Winter Quarter.** |