Guide to the University of California, Santa Barbara, Institute of Religious Studies Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: University of California, Santa Barbara, Institute of Religious Studies Collection

Dates: 1970-1979

Collection number: UArch 86

Creator: University of California, Santa Barbara. Institute of Religious Studies

Collection Size: 0.3 linear feet (1 half-sized document box and 3 audiotapes)

Repository: University of California, Santa Barbara. Library. Dept. of Special Collections
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Abstract: The Institute of Religious Studies was established as a researcher center on the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California in 1967, and dissolved in 1979. The collection contains annual, review, and dissolution reports, as well as flyers and announcements for sponsored events.

Physical location: Del Sur, University Archives, 25A (Series I); Annex 2 (Series II).

Languages: English

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Undetermined. Audio merged from University Archives Recordings in 2010.

Scope and Content of Collection

From Five Year Report, folder 1, 1971:

"The Institute of Religious Studies was established as a researcher center on the Santa Barbara campus of the University of California in 1967. It was then, and is now, the only center of its kind in American universities. Designed to coordinate cross-disciplinary research in religion, the Institute developed as a concomitant to the Department of Religious Studies at the University of California, Santa Barbara, which had been formalized in 1964. [...] Both Department and Institute were
both begun and sustained under the conviction that religion is a significant factor in human history, which, accordingly, deserves appropriate attention within the state university. [...] According to its charter, the purpose of the Institute of Religious Studies was to foster cooperation between the various fields now engaged in studying man's religious experience, behavior, and thought."

The Institute was dissolved in 1979.

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**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

University of California, Santa Barbara. Institute of Religious Studies

**Related Material**

In Special Collections:

- Academic Senate records, UArch 13. Files on institutes and Organized Research Units (ORUs), and files on religious studies degree programs.
- Office of Public Information subject files, UArch 12. File on the institute, as well as files on religious studies lecture/symposium events.
- Department of Religious Studies collection, UArch SC 72.

In the Main Library:


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**Subject Files**

**Box 1: 1**

**Five Year Reports of Director and Advisory Chairman of Institute of Religious Studies, 1971**

**Box 1: 2**

**Annual Report, 1973-1974**

**Box 1: 3**

**Annual Report, 1974-1975**

**Box 1: 4**

**Annual Report, 1975-1976**

**Box 1: 5**

**Annual Report, 1977-1978**

**Box 1: 6**

**Discontinuance of the institute, 1979**

**Box 1: 7**

**Flyers, announcements, 1970-1975**

**Audio**

**Tape No. A5354/R7**


**Tape No. A5991/R7**


**Tape No. A6057/R7**

Gilles Quispel, lecture, "Jung and Gnostics," Jan. 31, 1975