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Biography / Administrative History
Sally Miller was a Professor of History at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, California. She organized a conference and three seminars concerning Stockton immigrant women in 1980-81. Miller had her students interview sixty-five women of twenty-seven nationalities ranging in age from twenty to ninety years old. Additional group interviews were conducted at the conference in May 1981. Most of the women interviewed had come to the United States between 1920 and 1950. They worked on farms, in canneries, as dressmakers, as restaurant workers and as teachers. A summary of the Stockton Immigrant Women project was published in *The Californians* in 1986.

Scope and Content of Collection
This collection contains audio interviews, transcriptions, and related newspaper clippings of immigrant women in Stockton. In addition to discussing family life, parenting in a new culture, and work, the interviewees revealed their own experiences and struggles of when they immigrated to America and tried to establish themselves. Not only did they discuss their country of origin, traditions, and family life, but many interviewees were asked questions about the women’s liberation movement and changing gender roles and expectations. The collection contains tapes of the proceedings of the Stockton Immigrant Women Conference and Seminars together with miscellaneous papers pertaining to the interview process.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.
## Interview notes and transcripts

### Individuals

- **Aldeschulte, Juta. AUSTRALIAN** No date, interviewed by Monika Aldeschulte, one audio tape available.
- **Arbini, Lena. ITALIAN** 6-24-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes and transcription, one audio tape available.
- **Bhakta, Bharati. INDIAN** 7-20-80, interviewed by Abby Hicks, notes, one audio tape available.
- **Bal, Tejinder.INDIAN** 7-31-80, notes and transcription, two audio tapes available.
- **Bisla, Raghubir.INDIAN** 8-5-80, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Bossana, Maria. ARGENTINEAN** 9-3-80, interviewed by Abby Hicks, transcription, two audio tapes available.
- **Braeuse, Bernadette. LEBANESE** 8-80, interviewed by Victoria Whiteman, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Canete, Frances. FILIPINA** 7-25-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes, one audio tape available.
- **Carido, Camila. FILIPINA** 8-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Cecchini, Maria. ITALIAN** 7-24-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Chan, Sadie. CHINESE** 8-20-80, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Chaubal, Kishori. INDIAN** 5-7-80 and 7-9-80, interviewed by Cindy Pellegrini, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Clemenson, Mary. DUTCH** 7-17-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, two audio tapes available.
- **Corren, Esther. RUSSIAN JEW** 11-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, two audio tapes available, (see Zulka Dozier’s audiotape for end of interview).
- **De Groot, Maria. DUTCH** 7-10-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available.
- **Diangson, Domenica. FILIPINA** 1980, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes and transcription, two audiotapes available.
- **Dozier, Zulka. POLISH** 11-10-80, notes, one audio tape, (includes end of Esther Corren interview).
- **Elisagaray, Mary Jean. BASQUE** 7-30-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available.
- **Errecart, Anna. BASQUE** 8-8-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, notes, one audio tape available.
- **Farion, Brigitte. GERMAN** No date, interviewed by Mike Landis, one audio tape available.
- **Fontes, Rose. PORTUGUESE** 7-28-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available, (also contains the interview of Grace Seica).
- **Froehlich, Thea. JEWISH** No date, notes, no tape.
- **Garcia, Rafaelita. SPANISH** 7-18-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, notes, one audio tape available.
Garcia, Rose. SPANISH 7-17-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, notes, two audio tapes available.
Gonos, Sylvia. GREEK 7-16-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes and transcription, one audio tape available.

Box Two

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Hermosillo, Laura. MEXICAN 10-28-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available.
Ito, Kaoru. JAPANESE 6-23-80, interviewed by Daniel Kahl, notes, no tape available.
Jimenez, Dolores. SPANISH 6-23-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, notes and transcription, one audio tape available.
Karelis, Evanghila. GREEK 7-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes, one audio tape available.
Kepler, Maria. SALVADORIAN 7-22-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, transcription, two audio tapes available, (contains interview of Ana Ospital).
Leida, Ana. SPANISH No date, interviewed by Beth Robinson, two audio tapes available.
Librowitz, Luba. POLISH JEW 1-12-81, interviewed by Nancy Baldwin, notes, two audio tapes available.
Logeman, Kathryn. GERMAN No date, two audio tapes available.
Lowe, Eva Louie. CHINESE 1-81, interviewed by Lorene G. Cheang, notes, one audio tape available.
Lucchetti, Ina. ITALIAN 7-9-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes and transcription, two audio tapes available.
Mah, Susan. CHINESE 1-8-81, interviewed by Abby Hicks, notes and transcription, two audio tapes available.
Meyer, Greta. GERMAN JEW 6-25-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes and transcription, one audio tape available.
Motoike, Aya. JAPANESE 8-80, notes, not tape.
Natali, Algea. ITALIAN 1-24-81, notes, one audio tape available.
Norasith, Champeng. LAOTIAN 9-13-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes, two audio tapes available.
O’Farrell, Una. IRISH 1-22-81, interviewed by Jaime D. Kilpatrick, one audio tape available.
Ospital, Ana. BASQUE 6-27-80, interviewed by Mary Cusick, notes, one audio tape available, (see Maria Kepler interview for tape).
Pallito, Terri. UNSPECIFIED 1-17-81, notes, no tape.
Parks, Maria. ARGENTINEAN 10-20-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available.
Pippin, Marta. PERUVIAN 9-06-80, interviewed by Abby Hicks, notes, two audio tapes available.
Polisar, Dina. RUSSIAN JEW No date, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, two audio tapes available.
Reis, Filomena. PORTUGUESE 10-14-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available.
Rivera, Theresa. ITALIAN 7-1-80 interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, transcription, one audio tape available (contains Ann Versalini and Grace Seica).
Rodriguez, Margarita. MEXICAN 7-31-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, transcription, one audio tape available
Rubenstein, Ruth. GERMAN JEW No date, notes, no tape.
Sakai, Tamao. JAPANESE 8-8-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley and Dan Kahl, notes, two audio tapes available.

Box Three

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Sankary, Celine. EGYPTIAN JEW (LEBANESE AND FRENCH) 7-8-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, transcription, one audio tape available.
Schwedhelm, Luci. GERMAN No date, notes, one audio tape available.
Seica, Grace. PORTUGUESE 8-13-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, notes, one audio tape available, (see Theresa Rivera for tape).
Trachiotes, Athanasia. GREEK 6-25-80, notes, no tape.
Tung, Joanne. CAMBODIAN 9-8-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, notes, one audio tape available.
Uherek, Annely. AUSTRIAN No date, notes, no tape.
Versalini, Ann. ITALIAN 7-01-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, transcription, one audio tape available, (see Theresa Rivera for tape).
Viamonte, Maria. CUBAN 1-21-81, interviewed by Mitzman, notes, three audio tapes available.
Vien, Jeanne. FRENCH 1-19-81, one audio tape available.
Vink, Alida. DUTCH 7-11-80, interviewed by Mary Wedegaertner, transcription, one audio tape available.
Vu, Min Thu. VIETNAMESE 9-80, interviewed by Carole Hensley, transcription, two audio tapes available.
Wageman, Mavis. AUSTRALIAN No date, one audio tape available.
Woo, Wahnita Jue. CHINESE 1-16-81, interviewed by Kelly Wong, one audio tape available.
Zichanowizz, Anastasia. POLISH No date, one audio tape available, (contains Alicia Zuwala interview).
Zuwala, Alicia. MEXICAN No date, two audio tapes available, (see Anastasia Zichanowizz interview for first tape).
Unknown interviewee. JAPANESE 1-16-81, Cara Miyasaki, one audio tape available.

Group Interviews notes and transcripts (no notes or transcriptions as of 2011)

Aging and Widowhood 05-8/09-81, one audio tape available.
Canneries, Unions, and Sweatshops one audio tape available.
Discrimination one audio tape available.
Education Across Cultures one audio tape available
Elderly Immigrant Women Kishori Chaubal and Ruth Rubenstein, 7-02-80 one audio tape available.
Family Life one audio tape available.
Immigrants and Refugees one audio tape available
Parenting in a New Culture 05-8/09-81, one audio tape available.
Refugee one audio tape available.

Presentations and Publications

Christmas Broadcast KUOP 12-25-81. Features the Christmas traditions of Maria Cecchinni, Sylvia Gonos, and Dolores Jimenez. One audio tape available only.

Cormack, Margaret. "Women and Social Change" Presented at Immigrant Women Conference, 05-81, one audio tape available (see Immigrant Women Conference: Cormack and Eu).

Immigrant Women Seminar, Bob Orpinela, Estelle Lau, Harvey Williams, March Fong Eu 10-6, 11-3, 11-17-81. Four audio tapes available only.

Miller, Sally M. "The Stockton Project" Presented at Immigrant Women Conference, 05-81.


"Stockton's Immigrant Women Project," KUOP Broadcast 11-3-81. One audio tape available only.

Williams, Harvey. "Social Isolation and the Elderly Immigrant Woman."

"Wrap-up Session" for Immigrant Women Conference 5-9-81. One audio tape available only.

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**Project Paperwork**

Correspondence
Individual Interview Findings by Topic
Release Forms
Questionnaires and Guide sheets

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Box Four

Audio tapes: Individual Interviews. Aldenschulte-Gonos

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Box Five

Audio tapes: Individual Interviews. Hermosillo-Tong

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Box Six

Audio tapes: Individual Interviews. Viamonte-Zuwala and Unknown, Group Interviews, Presentations