Latinos

"Latinos have been an integral part of Michigan's economy, society, and history throughout the 20th century. Beginning in the 1920s, Mexicans comprised a substantial percent of the workforce in Michigan agriculture and industry before large-scale repatriation during the Great Depression drastically reduced the population. The Latin-American community was revitalized during the 1940s and became especially concentrated in cities while working for wartime industries, though Mexicans and Puerto Ricans continued to work in farm labor throughout Michigan. By the 1960s and 1970s, those communities became more vocal through social movements and civic organizations advancing Latino interests and celebrating their heritage. The largest group of Latinos in Michigan is composed of Mexicans and Mexican-Americans from other states, along with Puerto Ricans, Cubans, and other Central and South Americans." ¹

The Bentley Historical Library is actively collecting documentation on the Latino communities in Michigan. This guide lists all collections currently held at the Bentley Library. Any interested person may use these collections for research at the library (unless specific restrictions are noted in the collection descriptions).

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- 345 linear ft. and 9 oversize volumes.
  Blanchard was Democratic governor of Michigan from 1983 to 1991. The collection is arranged mainly by unit or functional responsibility within the governor's office. These series are chief of staff/executive assistants, correspondence office, government relations, issues development, legal department, operators, personnel, press office, Upper Peninsula office, Washington office, Lansing residence, and political and campaign files. The files document the Blanchard administration's efforts in areas of education, job creation, the state's economy, environmental protection, and the rebuilding of Michigan's infrastructure.
  Items of interest:
  - Correspondence Unit Annual Files, 1983-1990, 1988 Issues, Box 42 Hispanic Scholarship Fund
  - Photographs, 1983-1990, Box 189, Hispanic Education Conference, April 14, 1989
  - Photographs, 1983-1990, Box 190, Hispanic Week, September 15, 1986

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- Microfilm - not to be copied.
  Paper, of Julie C. Burns of Lansing, Michigan, entitled "Viva, Cristo Rey!" being an account of her experiences as organist at Cristo Rey, a Roman Catholic Church for Latinos in Lansing.
  Mirlyn Catalog Record

- 1 linear foot and 1 oversize folder.
  Member of Detroit, Michigan Latino arts organization Casa de Unidad and the Alliance for Cultural Democracy.
  Files relate to her association with Casa de Unidad particularly as art consultant on grants submitted by the organization; also materials relating to Jack Delano, who was a photographer with the Farm Security Administration, including interview with Delano about his career. The collection also includes files relating to the Alliance for Cultural Democracy.
  Mirlyn Catalog Record

- 7 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.
  Organization founded in Detroit, Mich. in 1980 as Casa de Unidad Cultural Arts and Media Center. The center devoted its resources to identifying, developing, and preserving the Hispanic/Latino cultural heritage of Southwest Detroit. The organization offered workshops in the visual, literary, and performing arts. It also held a performing arts festival, and nurtured local artists by providing exhibition space in its gallery.
  Finding aid

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Church of the Ascension, Detroit, Mich., Records, 1911-1988
- 3 linear ft., 5 oversize volumes, and 1 oversize folder.
Episcopal church located in Detroit, Michigan; church records include church histories, vestry minutes, annual parish meeting minutes and reports, membership directories and card indexes, scattered correspondence and bulletins, records of church women's organization, and photographs.; also register of baptisms, marriages, burials, and communicants; and registers of church services.
In the late 1970s, Ascension began to experience a decline in membership due to changes in the community. In 1983, upon recommendation of the diocese, Ascension initiated a Hispanic Outreach Program. On June 18, 1983, the Rev. Gene E. Curry celebrated the first Spanish language service before a congregation of fifteen. In its last decade, Ascension quickly evolved into a Spanish-speaking parish. In 1984, the church instituted a Reachout Program to assist the children of the church and their immigrant parents; the parish now included many Mexicans, Puerto Ricans, Peruvians, and Panamanians. Mr. Karl N. Laubenstein, who worked with the parish first as a layman and later as priest, was largely responsible for the revival of the parish. From September 1986 to the closing of the church, the Rev. Efrain 'Jeffrey' Gonzalez led the parish as Rector, emphasizing evangelism, stewardship, and church growth. Ascension, probably for financial reasons, ceased operation sometime in the late 1980's.
Finding aid

- 17.5 linear feet.
Frank Cianciola was the Director of the Michigan Union system and played a major role in student programming and activities at the University of Michigan from 1980 to his retirement in 2007. Papers consist of correspondence, planning material, financial and budgetary records, and material produced by students at the University of Michigan, the majority of which span 1972-1998. The bulk of the collection represents Cianciola's role as Union administrator, which includes financial records and planning materials from major building renovations, and his work with the student population. The collection contains records created by Cianciola and Union administrators preceding him.
Items of interest:
- Box 2, Hispanic Students, 1984
- Box 4, Latino Programs, 1999-2000.
Finding aid

Circulo Mutualista Mexicano.
- 4 volumes (in 1 box).
- In Spanish.
The Circulo Mutualista Mexicano was founded in Detroit in 1923 to provide both social and cultural services for Detroit's Mexican American community. Secretary's books including meeting minutes. No minutes for Jan. 1930-Oct. 1933 or March 1943-Nov. 1945.
Mirlyn Catalog Record
- 2 folders
- Doctoral student in history at the University of Michigan
  Includes an interview with Jane Gonzalez, Muskegon, Michigan, court reporter, later project director of the Office of Economic Opportunity, discussing the Chicano community in the Muskegon area during World War II.

College of Literature, Science and the Arts (University of Michigan) records.
- 392 linear ft. and 3 outsize volumes.
  Founded in 1841, the College of Literature, Science and the Arts (LS&A) is the liberal arts college of the University of Michigan, encompassing over 100 academic departments and non-departmental centers, programs, institutes, museums, and laboratories. The record group includes correspondence, meeting minutes, memoranda, reports, proposals, subject files, and program materials from the administrative offices of the dean and the academic units that make up the college.
  Items of interest:
  - Box 217, Deans Files, Chicano Studies, Deans Files, 1972/73
  - Box 229, Deans Files, Chicano Studies, Deans Files, 1973/74
  - Box 379, Latino Studies, 1988-1989
  - Box 361, Latino Studies, General, 1989-1992 (2 folders)
  - Box 361, Latino Studies, External Review, 1989-1990
  - Box 328, Marino, Yolanda (Coordinator of Hispanic Student Services)
  - Box 344, Hispanic American Studies, 1985-1988

De Leon, Ted.
- 0.75 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.
  Lansing, Mich. Chicano/Latino rights advocate working in the area of migrant and seasonal workers health care.
  The bulk of material relates to organizations concerned with Chicano/Latino and Native American health care, substance abuse and disease prevention. Also included records of Chicano/Latino organizations and material related to Latino heritage. The collection includes De Leon's autobiographical writings describing his childhood and life of the Chicano/Latino migrant workers community, also his class project paper on the subject of attitudes toward welfare, drafts of speeches, and contents of scrapbook with clippings of newspaper articles authored by De Leon, as well as newspaper articles he has collected.

Dept. of Journalism (University of Michigan) research papers, 1967-1978.
- 2 linear ft.
  Research papers of students in journalism at the University of Michigan; contain essays relating to the history of Michigan newspapers and journalists, and the development of radio and television broadcasting; include papers concerning newspapers in Adrian, Ann
Arbor, Detroit, and Grand Rapids, and the journalistic efforts of Father Charles Coughlin, Henry Ford, and Gerald L. K. Smith.

Items of interest:

  
  Finding aid

**James J. Duderstadt Papers, 1963-1997.**

- 23.5 linear feet and 2,078 digital files (64.4 Mb).
  
  Nuclear engineer, professor and eleventh president of the University of Michigan (1988-1996), leader in efforts to transform the University of Michigan, and higher education generally, into a culturally diverse, financially secure, and technologically advanced institution. Collection consists of both paper and digital documents, including speeches, presentations, writings and images. Portions of the collection are restricted. This collection represents the "personal papers" of president Duderstadt. Other material relating to his presidency is located in the record group "University of Michigan. President."
  
  Speeches and Accompanying Material, 1981-1996 [series]:
  - Box 3 Historically Black, Predominately Hispanic Colleges, October 5, 1988
  - Box 3 Hispanic Alumni, October 21, 1988
  
  Finding aid

**John Engler Papers, 1968-2003.**

- 435 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder.
  
  Republican member of the Michigan state legislature (House and Senate, 1971-1990); governor of Michigan (1991-2003); active member of the Republican Governors' Association and the National Governors' Association. The Engler collection consists primarily of materials created and maintained by Governor Engler and his staff during the period when he was governor, 1991-2003. Other records include papers from his several terms in the Michigan House and the Michigan Senate. The collection includes papers files, photographs, sound recordings, videotapes, memorabilia, and some electronic files. The gubernatorial files are arranged mainly by unit or functional responsibility within the governor's office. These series are Executive Office, Communications Division, Legal Division, State Government Affairs, Legislative Affairs Division, Operations Division, External Affairs, Scheduling, Washington DC Office, and Office of the First Lady. Topics extensively documented include state welfare and school funding reform, reorganization of state boards and commissions, notably the restructuring of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and Republican party politics.

  Items of interest:
  - Speeches, Box 10 Hispanic/Michigan Economics for Human Development 23rd Anniversary Banquet, undated
  - Press Officer, John Truscott 1991-2001, Box 131, Hispanic Coalition for Bush
- Box 175 Judicial Appointments-General, 1991-2002. Lists of all of Gov. Engler's judicial appointees sorted by jurisdiction, name, date and race/gender; includes interesting exchange of letters regarding Engler's efforts to appoint a Hispanic judge.
- Campaigns, Inaugurations, Special Projects (Operations Division), 1971-1990, Deputy Campaign Manager LeAnne Redick (Wilson), Box 286 Hispanics, 1990
- Box 413 Republican National Hispanic Fundraiser, September 24, 1992
- Box 416 El Hispano News Grand Opening, March 27, 1998
- Box 418 Hispanic Heritage Celebration, October 3, 2001
- Box 420 Republican National Hispanic Fundraiser, September 24, 1992
- Box 421 Hispanic Heritage Celebration at the Capitol, October 3, 2001

Finding aid

**Episcopal Church, Diocese of Western Michigan records.**
- 108.5 linear feet, 2 oversize folders, 1 drawer, and 18 oversize volumes.
  Governing body of the Episcopal church in western Michigan, established in 1874; records include bishops' files, diocesan organization and committee files, photographs, scrapbooks, diocesan historian files.
  Items of interest:
  - Box 27 Hispanic Ministry, 1979-1983.

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**Richard C. Frank papers, 1958-2004.**
- 43 linear feet and 90 tubes.
  The papers of Richard C. Frank, preservation architect and planner, contain paper files as well as architectural drawings and sketches from Frank's Preservation / Urban Design / Incorporated firm and from his work after leaving the firm in 1984. Major projects include Crossroads Village in Genesee County, the Detroit People Mover, Orchestra Hall of Detroit, and the Smithsonian Institution Art and Industries Building. The Visual Material series consists of files that contain visual material related to the projects listed under the Project Files series. The separation between the project files and the visual materials has been maintained from its original arrangement. The series contains two subseries: Slides and Negatives/Photographs. The Slides subseries is arranged according to its original, alphabetical order. The project slides document floor plans, building exteriors and interiors, and construction progress. The Negatives/Photographs subseries has been arranged alphabetically, under a project name. It is important to note that projects represented in the Negative/Photographs subseries may also contain negatives and photographs in the corresponding Project Files series.
  Items of interest:
  - Box 43 Latino Community, Detroit, negative

Finding aid
Valde Garcia papers, 1999-2010.
- 12.5 linear feet.
  In English with occasional Spanish.
  Michigan Republican State Senator representing Livingston, Shiawassee, and a portion of Ingham County. Garcia was the first Hispanic to serve in the Michigan State Senate. Legislative files documenting issues before the Michigan State Senate; also some files pertaining to Garcia’s association with Michigan’s Hispanic community and his interest in issues specific to Hispanics; other files relating to veterans affairs; and DVDs of Garcia speaking at Memorial Day services in the Senate.
  Finding aid

Grand Valley State Colleges Oral History Project, 1976-1977
- 61 sound tape reels (in 2 boxes).
  Oral history project undertaken by Professor John Tevebaugh of Grand Valley State Colleges in 1976. The focus of the interviews was the history of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Interviewees included longtime residents of the city, church, business, and community leaders, as well as representatives of Grand Rapids ethnic groups. The interviews were subsequently used as the basis for a WUOM radio series entitled, "Fitzgerald's Prophecy." There are currently no transcripts for the interviews. There are, however, notes made from some of the interviews. These interview notes include individuals for whom there are no extant tapes.
  Items of interest:
  - Box 1, Arturo Alvarado, (Latin-American Council), (tape 6)
  - Box 2, The Latino Community, (tape no. 11) (3 3/4 ips; 7 in.; mono)
  Finding aid

Gutiérrez, Lorraine M.
- 2.0 linear feet.
  Professor of social work and psychology at the University of Michigan specializing in empowerment theory and practice among minorities.
  Papers include course syllabi, writings, research proposals and topical files.
  Finding aid in the library.
  Finding aid

Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies (University of Michigan) records
- 191 linear feet and 4 reels of microfilm (positive and negative)
  Location: Stored offsite, two days notice required for retrieval.
  Graduate School of the University of Michigan. Records include dean's topical files, 1892-1996; files of associate deans; minutes of the executive board; project and grant files detailing faculty and student research; lists of degrees granted; records of fellowships and awards granted by the graduate school and university; and files relating to academic departments and programs, including reviews of degree programs.
  Items of interest:
  - Box 15, Chicano Affairs, 1970-1971, 1974-1975 (2 folders)
  - Box 16, MECha (Chicano Organization), 1974

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Box 109, 1970-1971 (Steven Spurr Files) [subseries]: The 1970-1971 subseries of the Dean's Topical Files contains a small run of files from dean Steven Spurr which were transferred from the Office of Vice President for Academic Affairs. The files include documentation on minority issues, including programs aimed at Black, Chicano, and Native American students. Financial aid concerns are also addressed, including files on barring students involved in campus protests and disruptions from receiving federal aid.  
Finding aid

Lemuel A. Johnson papers.

- Lemuel A. Johnson was born in Maiduguri, Nigeria. An expert in African literature and the Diaspora, a literary critic, and poet, he taught English at the Fourah Bay College of the University of Sierra Leone and comparative literature at the University of Michigan. From 1985 to 1991 he served as director of the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies; author of a three-volume work of poems entitled the Sierra Leone Trilogy, and numerous works of literary criticism. Papers include biographical information, correspondence from colleagues and family, and information about his work in the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies and the Department of English Language and Literature. There are also notes and drafts of Johnson's literary criticism, poetry, and his other writings.
- Items of interest:
  - Box 1, Conferences and Lectures, Escuela Nacional de Antropologia e Historia, *Semana: Africa y Latina America Hoy*, 1987
  - Box 1, Conferences and Lectures, Medgar Evers College, *Symposium on Afro-Hispanic Literature*, 1978
  - Box 1, Conferences and Lectures, Museo Nacional de las Culturas and Asociacion Latinoamericana de Estudios de Asia y Africa, *Las Grandes Obras de las Grandes Culturas*, 1990
  - Box 1, Conferences and Lectures, University of Missouri *International Conference on Afro-Hispanic Literature and Criticism*, 1993
  - Box 4, Writings, *Cross and Consciousness: The Failure of Orthodoxy in African and Afro-Hispanic Literature*, 1979
Finding aid


- Group of University of Michigan students and other Ann Arbor, Michigan, residents formed to support progressive causes in Latin America and oppose U.S. government policies there; flyers, posters, press releases, position papers, photographs, and the group's journal, *La Palabra*; also collected records of predecessor organization, Science for the People, and Farm Labor Organizing Committee, a support group within SFP.  
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- 1 linear ft.
Latin Americans for Social and Economic Development (LA SED) is a social service organization which serves the Latino community of Detroit, particularly the heavily Latino neighborhoods of Southwest Detroit. The organization's acronym also means 'the thirst' in Spanish, and is usually written and pronounced as two words. LA SED was founded in 1969 through the cooperative efforts of community leaders, union officials, and the Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit.

Since then, LA SED has provided a wide variety of bilingual services to its constituent community, including advocacy, information services, referrals, and translation. The organization also operates two special centers. The LA SED Youth Center provides counseling and advocacy services, youth employment programs, and recreational activities for young people. The LA SED Senior Citizen's Center provides social services for the elderly. LA SED is funded by United Community Services, the City of Detroit, individual donors, and private foundations.

The LA SED collection consists of material accumulated by Lucy Gajec, a member of the LA SED board of directors. The records, primarily official documents, rather than personal correspondence, are divided into four series. The Chronological (1969-1997) series contains correspondence, memos, event publicity, legal and financial documents, and clippings concerning LA SED. The Topical Files (1971-1974) contain correspondence, memos, and printed material concerning a variety of subjects relevant to the activities and operation of LA SED. The Publications series contains one folder of miscellaneous pamphlets and programs about LA SED, and one folder of programs from the organization’s Annual Recognition Luncheons (1969-1997). The Photograph series consists of one photograph of Lucy Gajec.

Finding aid


- 23.5 linear feet in 26 boxes.
- Includes addresses and lectures, annual reports, bibliographies, brochures and pamphlets, bulletins and college catalogs, and directories. Also includes histories such as *The Law School, 1940-1973*; *Legal Education at Michigan*, 1859-1959; and *A Short History and Some of the Graduate of the Department*. Also contains journals such as the *Michigan Journal of International Law*.

Most items of interest are located in the Student Publications subseries. Student Publications are divided into two subseries: General and Individual. General publications include an anthology of student writing and the newsletter *Res Gestae*. Individual publications include materials produced by the Ad-Hoc Committee on Issues of Race, Gender, and Sexual Orientation which produced the newsletter *Res Ipsa Loquitur*, the American Indian Law Students Association, the Christiancy Senate no. 1, the Barristers Society, which produced the *Michigan Raw Review*, the Black Law Students Alliance, the Hispanic Law Students Alliance, La Raza Law Students' Association, the Law Student Association, the Student Bar Association, the Webster Society and the Women Law Students Association.

Items of interest:
- Box 21, Hispanic Law Students Association
- Box 21, La Raza Las Students' Association
• Box 21, Latino Law Student Association
  Finding aid

Library (University of Michigan) records.
• 249 linear feet and 1 outsize volume.
  The University Library system at the University of Michigan provides information
  resources and services to faculty, students, staff, and the public, and is comprised of
  undergraduate, graduate, and subject-oriented divisional collections. The record group
  includes administrative files of library directors, reports, committee files, financial
  records, photographs, and publications.
  Items of interest:
• Box 15, Directors Files, Hispanic Society of America, 1916-1935
• Box 15, Directors Files, Hispano-Americana Library, 1936-1938
• Box 19, Directors Files, Library of Congress Hispanic Foundation, 1939-1940
• Box 190, Collection Development Office, Hispanic and Latin American Studies, 1984
  Finding aid

Migrant Health Promotion records, 1982-2009.
• 13 linear ft.
  Organization established to improve the health and living conditions of migrant
  farmworkers in six states of the Upper Midwest. The organization was established in
  1983 as the Midwest Migrant Health Information Office. The name was changed to
  Migrant Health Promotion in 1998.
  Administrative records; program files detailing operation of Camp Health Aide program
  and publication of Migrant Health Service Directory; and copies of promotional videos
  and unedited footage used in the videos publicizing camp health aide program.
  Finding aid

Muñoz, Cynthia L.
• A long road to the beginning : a causpanic metamorphosis : memoir, 2011 /
• 1 item (58 p.)
  Cynthia Muñoz was born in Detroit, Mich., "half Mexican/English and half
  Polish/Hungarian."  
  Memoir describing her childhood and youth in Detroit, her father's family life in Texas
  and mother's family in Detroit, lives of other family members, her drug use and
  rehabilitation.
  Mirlyn Catalog Record

• 26.3 linear ft.
  Established as a separate unit of the university in 1946, the University of Michigan
  Museum of Art serves as a research and teaching facility for the university and
  surrounding communities. The record group documents the museum's exhibitions and
  installations of the permanent collection and complementary interpretive programming.
  Records include exhibition files; executive committee minutes and director's
correspondence; photographs; publicity files; and material related to the Museum Practice Program.

Items of interest (Exhibition Files, 1946-2003):

- Box 3, "Hispanic Festival," April 18-22, 1955
- Box 3, "Hispanic Festival," April 11-13, 1956 (Romance Language Department)
- Box 10,"Hispanic Cultural Objects," September 12-[October 15?], 1986

**Finding aid**


- 3 linear ft.
  Office established to meet the academic and social needs of the university's minority students.
  Records include administrative files; materials relating to various programs and activities; and topical files. The topical files include extensive information on the yearly Hispanic Heritage Celebrations.

**Finding aid**

Julio Perazza visual materials.

- 0.2 linear feet.
  Detroit, Mich. Latino photographer and teacher.
  The Julio Perazza collection consists of photograph negatives taken during the period of 1984-1986. The images relate mainly to the Hispanic community of Detroit, particularly of activities at Casa de Unidad. These include photographs of various classes (dance, photography, etc.) and social events sponsored by this Hispanic organization. The collection also includes a motion picture created by Latino students at the University of Michigan in the early 1970s intended as a recruiting tool to encourage individuals to apply for admission.

**Finding aid**

Program in American Culture (University of Michigan) records, 1964-1997.

- 5.0 linear ft.
- Restricted access in part.
  The Program in American Culture began in 1952 through the efforts of Professor Joe Lee Davis to study American life. The program achieved departmental status initially serving as a hub for interdisciplinary courses. In the 1970s the program and coursework expande to include the study of women and minority groups with an emphasis on Latino Studies as well as art and media studies.
  Records include administrative files, directors correspondence, committee minutes, curriculum material, topical files, and material on faculty members and their activities.

**Finding aid**

Programs for Educational Opportunity (University of Michigan) publications.

- 3 linear ft.
  A race desegregation assistance center based at the University of Michigan, the Program for Educational Opportunity was established by funding through the 1964 Civil Rights

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Act. The program was expanded to encompass race, gender, and national origin equity in public schools in the Great Lakes region. Includes reports, brochures, pamphlets and other material relating to racial segregation and racial and sex discrimination in education.

Items of Interest:
- Box 1, Unit Publications, *Books About Chicano Children*, undated
- Box 1, Unit Publications, *Chicano Bibliography*, undated
- Box 1, Unit Publications, *Hispanic Americans in the United States: A Selected Bibliography*, 1989
- Box 1, Unit Publications, Reports, *America's Hispanic Heritage*, 1989

Finding aid

Provost and Executive Vice-President for Academic Affairs (University of Michigan) Staff Files, 1947-2001.
- 411 linear ft.
- Restricted access in part.
- Portions of the records are stored offsite. Two days notice required for retrieval.

Central academic administrative unit of the University of Michigan which functions as chief executive assistant to the president, responsible for appointments and promotions with oversight for schools, colleges, educational units and programs; including budget planning, legislative relations, institutional research, and affirmative action policies. The Staff Files subgroup contains the files of individual of vice-presidents, associate and assistant vice-presidents, and other staff members within the vice-president's office.

Sudarkasa, Niara [series]:
As associate vice president from 1984 to 1986, Niara Sudarkasa was charged with leading the university's efforts in minority recruitment and retention. Prior to this appointment Sudarkasa had served as director of the Center for Afro-American and African Studies (CAAS) and was a professor of anthropology. She left the university in 1986 to become the first female president of Lincoln University.


Items of interest:
- Box 68, Jacoby, Robin series, Topical Files, 1981-1983, Hispanic Student Services
- Box 187, Sudarkasa, Niara series, Office of Minority Affairs (OMA), 1983-1987, Hispanic Law Students Association
- Box 187, Sudarkasa, Niara series, Office of Minority Affairs (OMA), 1983-1987, Latino Studies Program
- Box 242, Holmes, Robert B., 1968-1992 Topical Files, Hispanic Organizations

Finding aid

- 71 linear ft.
- Portions of the collection are located offsite; two days notice required for retrieval.
Office files and papers of state chairpersons William F. McLaughlin, Arthur Elliott and Elly Peterson, executive director Jerry Roe, public relations director Hugh Humphrey, and Joseph Hunting, executive director of the Republican State Finance Committee. The principal series in this record group include: Annual reports/Executive Committee meetings; Chairperson's files; Staff/Departments; Topical Files; Campaign Files; Convention Files; Miscellaneous; Sound Recordings; and Photographs.

Items of interest:
- Box 38 National Hispanic Assembly
- Topical Files, Box 45 Hispanic Republican Day, 1977

School of Social Work (University of Michigan) Records, 1935-[ongoing].
- 36 linear ft.
Records of the School of Social Work (formerly the Institute of Social Work) include minutes, correspondence, curriculum records, and topical files, concerning the activities of the University's social work program under the direction of Robert Kelso, Arthur Dunham, Federle Fauri, Phillip Fellin, Harold R. Johnson, and Paula Allen-Meares. The series Minority and Student Multicultural Affairs, 1960-1994, contains materials documenting minority groups in the School of Social Work. One group which is well documented is Trabajadores de la Raza, a group representing the interests of Latino students in the graduate program [Box 24].

Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (University of Michigan) records, 1990-1997.
- 0.5 linear feet.
The Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers was a student chapter of the national organization of the same name. The local University of Michigan, Ann Arbor chapter was recognized in 1992 and operated as part of the Society of Minority Engineering Students organization on campus. Consists of the organization's constitution, chapter, handbook, minutes, surveys, newsletters, officer and member information, end-of-year report, conference materials and rsum books.

Southwestern Michigan Urban League records .
- 23 linear ft.
Interracial, non-profit, non-partisan community service organization in Battle Creek, Michigan (formerly Battle Creek Area Urban League) founded in 1966 and affiliated with the National Urban League. Series include: History, Administration, Correspondence, Reports, Meetings, Programs, Community Memberships, Public Relations, Events, Battle Creek Area Urban League Guild, and Visual, Audio, and Digital Materials.
The Community Memberships series (4.00 linear ft.; 1969-2006) is particularly important for representing the role Southwestern Michigan Urban League assumed in the community after Benjamin Richmond was appointed executive director. Active participation in civic organizations became a hallmark of the League. Directors and staff
were invited and/or served on boards and committees of nearly all significant organizations operating during the period and programs frequently germinated from such involvement. This series is valuable in showing the League's breadth of participation in community affairs and its interest in maintaining working relationships with other public and private social service organizations, as well as documenting the genesis of collaborative programs.

Items of interest:
- Box 19 Hispanic Community Forum, 1990  
  [Finding aid](#)

United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Synod of Michigan photograph series.
- 1 envelope and 1 outsize folder.

Forms part of United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. Synod of Michigan. United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., Synod of Michigan records. Photographs of denomination-sponsored activities, conferences, and programs for the young, old, and disadvantaged of Detroit, Michigan's inner-city, and elsewhere; also photographs of churches in Dafter, and Battle Creek, Michigan.  
  [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

Valdez, Vito Jesus.
- Vito Jesus Valdez papers, 1980s-2010.
- 0.4 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.
- Mexican American artist from Michigan. Valdez worked as an independent artist in Monteral and was artist-in-residence in Belgium. He later worked on community art projects in the Detroit Windsor area.
- Biographical information, catalogs, notices of gallery receptions for the opening of exhibitions, workshop programs, other publications, scanned copies of family photographs, and posters announcing exhibitions of art work.  
  [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

- 3 linear ft. (4 boxes), 3 oversized folders, and 2 tubes.
- Artist, teacher, and art historian specializing in Latino art and artists, and the evolution of Latino art in Michigan and its relationship to Latino art in other areas of the United States.
- The collection consists of files relating to his research and professional activities, his education and teaching career, and to his interest and participation in conferences and art exhibitions; also publications, lectures, and selections of his sketchbooks and other artwork.  
  [Finding aid](#)

Vice President for Student Affairs (University of Michigan) records.
- 39.2 linear ft. in 41 boxes.
- University of Michigan administrative office, established as the Dean of Student Affairs in 1921, responsible for overseeing many aspects of non-academic student services and activities including at various times: counseling, financial aid, student housing, student

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activities and organizations, the health service, student discipline, and fraternities and sororities. Records provide extensive documentation of student life.

Items of interest:
- Box 30, Chicano Americans, General, 1971-1985
- Box 30, Chicano Americans, Advocate/Liaison, 1972-1974
- Box 30, Hispanic Americans, General, 1981-1987
- Box 30, Hispanic Americans, Leadership Conference, 1989
- Box 30, Hispanic Americans, Lecture Series, 1980

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- 41 linear feet.

The office of the Vice Provost for Academic and Multicultural Affairs was originally established to develop and support programs to aid the University of Michigan in the recruitment and retention of students, faculty, and staff of color. The scope of the duties of the office were later expanded to include administrative oversight of a number of programs and services for faculty and students. The bulk of the record group is comprised of topical files related to multicultural issues, correspondence and reports relating to particular initiatives and funding programs, and administrative office files

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Publications

Selected Published Sources

In this section of the guide you will find the selected primary and secondary printed sources held at the Bentleky Library. The primary sources consist mostly of newspapers and other serial publications. The secondary printed sources, primarily books, supplement the library's manuscript and archive collections and provide additional insight to the history of Latinos in Michigan.

Published Primary Sources

Alma latina (Ann Arbor, MI)
- Call Number: Mirlyn Catalog Record

El barrio (Barrio, Detroit, MI)
- Published by Casa de Unidad.
- Call Number: EA 115 C334 B253

El central. (Detroit, MI)
- Published by Sanchez Communications
- In Spanish and English
- Call Number: 0611 Aa 2

De mujer a mujer = From woman to woman. (Detroit, MI)
- Bentley owns: [2003:Dec.?]
- "La única publicación para la mujer Hispana en Michigan."
- Call Number: NB D483 D278
Gladiador : periodico quincenal independiente al servicio del Pueblo Latinoamericano. (Saginaw, MI)
- Bentley owns: v.1:no.6 (1964:July25)
- In Spanish
- Call Number: EA 115 G542 G542

El Hispano news. (Grand Rapids, MI)
- Bentley owns: no.298 (1999:Sept.24)
- Published by Buenas Dias Pub.
- In Spanish, some advertisements in English.
- Call Number: NB G754 H673

El Vocero Hispano : Michigan’s Hispanic newspapers. (Grand Rapids, MI)
- In Spanish.
- Call Number: 2009100 Aa 2

La Jornada Detroit. (Detroit, MI)
- Published by Jornada Latina
- In Spanish with some English translation
- Call Number: EA 115 J82 J82

La Voz latina : the voice of Latinos in Washtenaw County. (Ann Arbor, MI)
- In Spanish and English.
- Call Number: NB A613 V977

Latino (Grosse Pointe Farms, MI)
- Published by Latino Press
- Call Number: EA 115 L357 L357 Outsize

Mi gente = My people (Saginaw, MI)
- Published by Mi Gente Publications.
- Predominantly in English; some articles also in Spanish.
- Call Number: EA 115 M618 G337 Outsize

**Michigan Hispanic directory.**
- Published by Sanchez Communications
- Call Number: EA 115 M624 H673

**Nueva opinión : información sin fronteras = New opinion : information without borders (Battle Creek & Kalamazoo, MI)**
- Bentley owns: v.7:no.166 (2009:Jun.25/Jul.8)-
- In Spanish with some advertisements in English.
- Call Number: EA 115 N532 N973

**Nosotros (Detroit, MI)**
- Bentley owns: <1971:8:6>
- Published by Nosotros Publishing Co.
- In Spanish and English.
- "La voz de la comunidad Hispano Americana de Detroit."
- Call Number: NB D483 N897

**Notas del barrio (Detroit, MI)**
- Published by Casa de Unidad, Cultural Arts & Media Center.
- In English and Spanish.
- Call Number: EA 115 C334 N899

**The Sounds of poetry. (Detroit, MI)**
- Published by J. Sanchez
- Issued by: Latino Poets Association.
- Call Number: EA 115 S724 S724

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- Bentley owns: v.1:no.17 (1950)
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- Call Number: EA 115 U58 U58

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