

Guide to the Divest Barnard Collection BC37.35

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Summary Information

Repository:	Barnard Archives and Special Collections
Creator:	Barnard College. Divest Barnard
Title:	Divest Barnard
ID:	BC37.35
ID [aspace_uri]:	/repositories/2/resources/381
Date [inclusive]:	2010-2017
Date [bulk]:	2015-2017
Physical Description:	0.43 Linear Feet 2 websites 1 full hollinger box
Physical Location:	This collection is located in the Barnard Archives and Special Collections, Barnard Library. To use this collection, please contact the Barnard Archives and Special Collections at 212.854.4079 or archives@barnard.edu. The archived websites in this collection are publicly accessible with full-text search capabilities through the Barnard Archives and Special Collections Archive-It page, https://archive-it.org/home/barnardarchives .
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	This collection consists of materials from Divest Barnard, an activist group currently active at Barnard College.

Preferred Citation

Divest Barnard Collection, 2010-2017; Box and Folder or URL; Barnard Archives and Special Collections, Barnard Library, Barnard College.

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Historical Background

Divest Barnard is an organization actively working to encourage the Barnard College administration to divest its endowment from fossil fuel companies. Divest Barnard was founded

in 2014 and held its first meeting on February 20, 2015. In December of 2015, the Barnard Board of Trustees voted to establish the Presidential Task Force to Examine Divestment on which Divest Barnard sits. In April 2016, students from both Barnard and Columbia occupied the office of Columbia University President Lee Bollinger calling for divestment of the Columbia University endowment from fossil fuel companies. Divest Barnard is placed within a long history of activism at Barnard including prior divestment movements such as the Apartheid divestment movement in the 1980s and the current prison divestment movement. Divest Barnard seeks to bring awareness to not only the investment in fossil fuel companies but also the injustices faced by marginalized women, which are exacerbated by climate change.

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Collection Scope and Contents Summary

This collection consists of administrative and publicity materials related to the founding of Divest Barnard and organizing actions at Barnard from 2014-2017. The collection also contains materials from the Goldman Sachs Investment Management Division, New York City Civic Engagement Program - Extendend Barnard Reach Out, the Beloved Community Center, the Presidential Task Force to Examine Divestment, and publications on climate change and fossil fuel divestment. The collection also contains archived versions of Divest Barnard's public website and Facebook page.

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Collection Arrangement

This collection is arranged in the order in which it was received.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Access

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Acquisition Information

Donation from Evelyn Mayo, 2016. Permission to crawl and capture website and Facebook page granted by Evelyn Mayo, 2016. Initial crawl of website and Facebook page captured in April, 2016.

Donation from Kristen Akey, 2018.

Accruals

Additions are expected. Web crawls of the Divest Barnard public website and Facebook page began in April, 2016 and will be conducted on a continuing basis.

Processing History

This collection was processed and the finding aid written by Charlotte Kostelic in May 2016 and reprocessed and revised by Zakiya Collier in November 2018. Descriptive Rules Used: Finding aid adheres to that prescribed by Describing Archives: A Content Standard. Finding aid written in English

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Related Materials

Related Collections

Materials related to other student groups, including statements of support for Divest Barnard, may be found in our web archive collections through the Barnard Archives and Special Collections Archive-It account, <https://archive-it.org/home/barnardarchives>. Materials related to other divestment movements at Barnard throughout the college's history can be found in BC12.1: Mortarboard, BC12.3: Barnard Bulletin, and BC12.11: Black Heights.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Civil Rights
- Climate change mitigation
- Capitalism -- United States
- Women college students
- College students
- Student activities
- Disinvestment
- Environmental justice
- Global warming
- Newsletters
- Publicity
- Correspondence
- Pollution
- Renewable energy sources
- Direct action

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Administrative and Publicity Materials, 2014-2017	box 1	folder 1
<u>Physical Description</u> : 0.08 Linear Feet 2 folders	box 1	folder 2
<u>Language of the Material</u> : English.		

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

These folders contain event programs, a signed petition, published materials, and other organizational notes from Divest Barnard. Of particular note are a statement on academic freedom and divestment, a timeline of actions performed by the group, and a zine stating their goals.

Activism and Organizing Materials, n.d.	box 1	folder 3
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Physical Description: 0.04 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains notes, handouts, and packets on organizing and action planning strategies.

Goldman Sachs Investment Management Division Materials, 2016	box 1	folder 4
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Physical Description: 0.03 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains an investment management white paper and presentation on nonprofit organizations navigating low expected return environments.

Publications on Climate Change and Fossil Fuel Divestment, 2010-2016	box 1	folder 5
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Physical Description: 0.05 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains publications on the topics of climate change, fossil fuel divestment, proposed carbon taxes, renewable energy, climate change denial, and sustainable investments.

New York City Civic Engagement Program – Extended Barnard Reach Out (NYCCEP-EBRO) Environmental Justice Materials, 2016	box 1	folder 6
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Physical Description: 0.01 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains an agenda for an October 2016 NYCCEP program, EBRO talking points, and a Fall 2016

EBRO Resource Guide on the topic of Environmental Justice.

Beloved Community Center Publications and Publicity Materials, 2011-2016	box 1	folder 7
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Physical Description: 0.01 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains a Beloved Community Center 2013 Annual Pictorial End of Year Brochure, a 2011 newsletter, a 2014 Refections on the Year newsletter, and a February 2016 booklet entitled, "Greensboro's Black History: A Different Perspective."

Divest Barnard Poster, Zine and Pamphlet, n.d.	box 1	folder 8
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Physical Description: 0.01 Linear Feet 1 folder

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

This folder contains a Divest Barnard poster, handmade zine, and pamphlet.

Barnard College Presidential Task Force to Examine Divestment Administrative, Reports, and Other Materials, 2016-2017	box 1	folder 9
	box 1	folder 10

Physical Description: 0.2 Linear Feet 3 folders box 1 folder 11

Language of the Material: English.

Folder Scope and Contents Summary

These folders contain notes, correspondence, presentation materials, meeting agendas and minutes, voting documents, and working group documents. Of particular note are the draft and final copy of the Final Report of the Task Force.

The folders also contain a Barnard College 2015 Fiscal Year Carbon Footprint Summary, and publications on the need for action from Universities and the threat of the call to abolish the National Endowment for the Arts.

Divest Barnard Public Website, 2016-2018

Container Summary: 1 website

Language of the Material: English.

Item Scope and Contents Summary

The Divest Barnard public website provides educational resources related to divestment, shareholder activism,

and climate change for students and other members of the Barnard community.

Divest Barnard Facebook Page, 2015-2018

Container Summary: 1 website

Item Scope and Contents Summary

The Divest Barnard Facebook page contains information about events hosted by Divest Barnard and related organizations as well as resources for students, alums, and the larger Barnard and Columbia community.