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Summary Information

Repository:	Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary
Creator:	Hardesty, Nancy
Title:	Nancy A. Hardesty papers
ID:	6163424
Date [inclusive]:	circa 1960 -- 2002
Physical Description:	8.5 linear feet 8.5 linear feet; 18 boxes
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	Nancy A. Hardesty was a church historian, feminist scholar, and Professor of Religion at Clemson University. The collection contains support materials for Hardesty's 1998 application for tenure at Clemson University, materials related to Hardesty's writings and publications, materials related to a proposed book about adult children of fundamentalists (ACOF), manuscript outlines of sermons, materials relating to the Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus (EEWC) conferences between 1975 and 2002, as well as personal and professional correspondence, journals, and speeches.

Preferred Citation

Item description, AWTS: Nancy A. Hardesty papers, circa 1960-2002, series #, box #, folder #, The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

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Biographical / Historical

Nancy A. Hardesty was born on August 22, 1941 in Lima, Ohio. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Wheaton College in 1963 and received a Masters degree in newspaper journalism from the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University in 1964. Hardesty worked for both The Christian Century and Eternity magazines before returning to graduate school, receiving her PhD in 1976. She earned her doctorate in the History of Christianity under the

tutelage of Martin Marty at the University of Chicago, titling her thesis "Your Daughters Shall Prophesy: Revivalism and Feminism in the Age of Finney." It was later published in 1991 by Carlson Publishing. Hardesty's first published book, *All We're Meant to Be: A Biblical Approach to Women's Liberation*, was co-authored with Letha Dawson Scanzoni in 1974 as she was simultaneously working on her doctorate. At this time her career as a speaker burgeoned while she traveled extensively to promote the book, giving addresses on the topics of women's liberation and Biblical feminism within the evangelical Christian movement. *All We're Meant to Be* was named 23rd of the Top 50 books that have most shaped evangelicals in Christianity Today (October 2006), and the book has numerous editions. Hardesty began her teaching career at Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 1976 until 1980, when she took a break from teaching, working instead as an independent historian, editor and speaker for eight years. She returned to be Professor of religion at Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina in 1988. Hardesty was a contributing founder of both the Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus in 1975; she also helped to found *Daughters of Sarah*, a Christian feminist newsletter in publication from 1974-1995. Hardesty's publications relate to the role of women in the Christian church. In addition to *All We're Meant to Be* (1974), and *Your Daughters Shall Prophesy* (1991), Hardesty's works include *Women Called to Witness* (1984), *Great Women of Faith* (1982), *Inclusive Language in the Church* (1987), *The Memory Book* (1989), and *Faith Cure: Divine Healing in the Holiness and Pentecostal Movements* (2003). Some of her other research interests included adult children of fundamentalists, African American religion, and women and religion in the South. Hardesty died on April 8, 2011.

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Scope and Contents

This collection contains support materials for Hardesty's 1998 application for tenure at Clemson University, including a resume, books, articles, and speaking and teaching materials; notes, clippings, drafts, articles, correspondence, book reviews, and records of royalties related to Hardesty's writings and publications; notes, clippings, survey questionnaires, preliminary drafts and correspondence regarding a proposed book about adult children of fundamentalists (ACOF); manuscript outlines of sermons given by Hardesty between 1987 and 1998; notes, brochures, programs, council records, and correspondence relating to the Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus (EEWC) conferences between 1975 and 2002; as well as personal and professional correspondence, journals, and speeches, including addresses to numerous colleges and universities relating to the topic of the single woman in the 1970's.

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged in 6 series: 1. Tenure application materials; 2. Writings; 3. Adult children of fundamentalists research materials; 4. Sermons; 5. Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus conferences; and 6. Correspondence, journals, speeches.

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Administrative Information

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Revision Description

PDF converted to EAD and description, including series rearrangement, updated by Leah Edelman. 2022-05-24

Conditions Governing Access

This collection contains some restricted material. Restrictions related to specific material are listed in the detailed contents list.

Conditions Governing Access

The following boxes are located offsite: Box 1-18 (entire collection). Please note that requests for use of boxes held in offsite storage must be made three business days in advance.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Nancy A. Hardesty donated her papers to the Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship in 2001.

Processing Information

When the Burke Library acquired Hardesty's papers, an attempt was made to maintain the original order she imposed throughout the course of her career. Folded materials were flattened. Newspaper clippings were photocopied on acid free paper. Staples, rubber bands, and metal clips were removed and replaced with plastic clips. All materials were placed in acid-free folders and boxes. Copies were substituted for originals in order to suppress SSNs in royalty statements. The finding aid was created by Alison J. Killeen in 2007, and edited by Leah Edelman in 2022.

Conditions Governing Use

Some material in this collection may be protected by copyright and other rights. Information concerning copyright, fair use, and reproduction requests can be consulted at Columbia's Copyright Advisory Office.

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Related Materials

Related Materials

AWTS: Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus- Christian Feminism Today Records, The Burke Library at Union Theological Seminary, Columbia University in the City of New York.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Hardesty, Nancy -- : Archives

Burke Library record group:

Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship (AWTS)

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Collection Inventory

Series 1: Tenure application materials, circa 1970 -- 1999

Physical Description: 1.5 linear feet 1.5 linear feet; 3 boxes

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

This series is open for research.

Arrangement

This series is unarranged.

Scope and Contents

This series contains support materials for Hardesty's 1998 application for tenure at Clemson University, including a resume, books, articles, and speaking and teaching materials.

Title/Description	Instances	
Resume, 1998	box 1	folder 1
Grants received, 1996 -- 1998	box 1	folder 2
Women Called to Witness, 1984; 1999	box 1	folder 3-4
All We're Meant to Be, 1974 -- 1992	box 1	folder 5-8
Great Women of Faith, 1987	box 2	folder 1
Inclusive Language in the Church, 1987	box 2	folder 2
The Memory Book, 1989	box 2	folder 3
Your Daughters Shall Prophesy, 1991	box 2	folder 4
Book Projects and Drafts, circa 1970 -- 1998	box 2	folder 5
Contributions to Edited Volumes, 1972 -- 1996	box 2	folder 6-8
Contributions to Reference Works, 1988 -- 1998	box 2	folder 9-10
Book reviews, 1982 -- 1998	box 2	folder 11
Correspondence-Theological School Fellowship, 1978 -- 1985	box 2	folder 12-13
Articles, 1988 -- 1995	box 2	folder 14-15
Articles, 1990	box 3	folder 1
Papers, Addresses and Short Courses, circa 1970 -- 1998	box 3	folder 2-9

Stanley Lectureships, 1976 -- 1997

box 3

folder 10-11

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This series is open for research.

Arrangement

This series is unarranged.

Scope and Contents

This series contains notes, clippings, drafts, articles, correspondence, book reviews, and records of royalties related to Hardesty's writings and publications.

Title/Description	Instances	
Grad school papers, 1970 -- 1974	box 1	folder 1-2
Drafts and Notes, circa 1960 -- 1975	box 1	folder 3-5
All We're Meant to Be outlines, publicity and reviews, 1974 -- 1988	box 1	folder 6-16
All We're Meant to Be articles and press correspondence, 1974 -- 1982	box 1	folder 17-18
All We're Meant to Be articles and press correspondence, photos, circa 1970 -- 1992	box 2	folder 1-8
All We're Meant to Be Revision Notes and Clippings, 1977 -- 1990	box 2	folder 9-13
Great Women of Faith drafts and articles, circa 1973 -- 1975	box 2	folder 14-16
Great Women of Faith drafts and articles, circa 1973 -- 1975	box 3	folder 1
Press correspondence, 1975 -- 1985	box 3	folder 2-4
Dictionary of Bible and Religion Contributions, 1982 -- 1985	box 3	folder 5
Book reviews-Women Called to Witness, 1984 -- 1986	box 3	folder 6
Press correspondence, 1979 -- 1996	box 3	folder 7-8
Book reviews, press correspondence, articles, 1980 -- 1998	box 3	folder 9-15
Audio Cassette Interview and Transcript for The Advocate, circa 1990	box 3	folder 16
Press correspondence, 1999	box 3	folder 17

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Series 3: Adult Children of Fundamentalists research materials, 1969 -- 1991

Physical Description: 2 linear feet 2 linear feet; 4 boxes

Physical Description: 5 audiocassettes 5 audiocassettes

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

This series is open for research.

Arrangement

This series is unarranged.

Scope and Contents

This series contains notes, clippings, survey questionnaires, preliminary drafts and correspondence regarding a proposed book about adult children of fundamentalists (ACOF).

Title/Description	Instances	
Audiocassette interviews , circa 1986 <u>Physical Description</u> : 3 audiocassettes	box 1	folder 1
Evangelical Women's Caucus, 1986 -- 1988	box 1	folder 2
Adult children of alcoholics, 1986	box 1	folder 3
Launching questionnaires, 1987	box 1	folder 4
Articles and clippings, 1987 -- 1988	box 1	folder 5
Fundamentalist primary sources, circa 1987 -- 1988	box 1	folder 6-7
News Clippings on Televangelism, circa 1987 -- 1989	box 1	folder 8-10
Research Clippings, Notes, Correspondence, 1969 -- 1988	box 1	folder 11-16
Research Clippings, Notes, Correspondence, 1988 -- 1990	box 2	folder 1-4
ACOF Completed Questionnaires, circa 1988 -- 1990	box 2	folder 5-14
ACOF Completed Questionnaires, circa 1988 -- 1990	box 3	folder 1-11
Audiocassette interviews , circa 1988 -- 1990 <u>Physical Description</u> : 2 audiocassettes	box 3	folder 12
ACOF Completed Questionnaires, circa 1988 -- 1990	box 3	folder 13-14
ACOF Completed Questionnaires, circa 1988 -- 1990	box 4	folder 1-5
Book Proposal notes and drafts, circa 1988 -- 1990	box 4	folder 6-11
ACOF Correspondence from Non-Responders, 1985 -- 1991	box 4	folder 12-14

ACOF Research, Testimonial Papers and Notes, circa 1985 -- 1991	box 4	folder 15
Notes and Articles-Potential Collaborators, circa 1985 -- 1991	box 4	folder 16
ACOF Correspondence with Mary Franzen Clark, circa 1985 -- 1991	box 4	folder 17
ACOF Original Questionnaires, circa 1985 -- 1991	box 4	folder 18

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Series 4: Sermons, 1987 -- 1998

Physical Description: 0.75 linear feet 0.75 linear feet; 2 boxes

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

This series is open for research.

Arrangement

This series is arranged chronologically.

Scope and Contents

This series contains manuscript outlines of sermons given by Hardesty between 1987 and 1998.

Title/Description	Instances
Sermon outlines, 1987 -- 1994	box 1
Sermon outlines, 1995 -- 1998	box 2

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Series 5: Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus conferences, 1975 -- 2002

Physical Description: 1 linear feet 1 linear foot; 2 boxes

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

This series is open for research.

Arrangement

This series is arranged chronologically.

Scope and Contents

This series contains notes, brochures, programs, council records, and correspondence relating to the Evangelical and Ecumenical Women's Caucus (EEWC) conferences between 1975 and 2002.

Title/Description	Instances	
EEWC Conferences , 1975 -- 2002	box 1	folder 1-19
EEWC Council Records, 1995 -- 1997	box 1	folder 20-24
EEWC Council Records, 1997 -- 2000	box 2	

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Series 6: Correspondence, journals, speeches, 1971 -- 1995

Physical Description: 1.75 linear feet 1.75 linear feet; 4 boxes

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

This series contains some restricted material. Restrictions related to specific material are listed in the detailed contents list.

Arrangement

This series is arranged by material type.

Scope and Contents

This series contains personal and professional correspondence, journals, and speeches, including addresses to numerous colleges and universities relating to the topic of the single woman in the 1970's.

Title/Description	Instances	
American Society of Church History, Harper and Row, 1984 -- 1987	box 1	folder 1-2
R. Peterson, Christian History Magazine, 1987 -- 1988	box 1	folder 3-5
P. Westfall-Rosen--Public Interest Video Network, 1989	box 1	folder 6-8
D. Reid, InterVarsity Press, 1990	box 1	folder 9
P. Walker, D.Perkins, Noble Press, 1990	box 1	folder 10
Personal and professional correspondence, 1988 -- 1993	box 1	folder 11-32

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Including Kendall Rogers, Manchester College; J. Orost, Samaritan College; Chuck, P. Miller, D. Linge, L. Coleman

Personal and professional correspondence, 1993 -- 1995	box 2	
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Scope and Contents

Including copies of NAH resumes; Elizabeth Reid

Personal correspondence and Journals, circa 1973 -- 1993 box 3

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

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Speeches, 1971 -- 1988 box 4

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