



Western Kentucky University
UA68 Potter College of Arts & Letters
Series 14 Folk Studies & Anthropology
Subseries 2 Administration

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Administrative History: The first folklore course taught by Dr. Gordon Wilson in 1928. D.K. Wilgus, a trained folklorist, joined the faculty in 1950 and founded the Kentucky Folklife Archives in 1953. In the 1960s, a folklore minor was established in the English department.

In late 1969 the Center for Intercultural Studies was established and operations began in 1970. It provided coordination of folk studies and other cross-disciplinary programs. In 1971 Afro-American Studies and Latin American Studies were added. In 1972 an M.A. degree in Folklore was offered. Asian Studies was approved in 1974.

On June 19, 1974 the Board of Regents approved an internal reorganization including the official transition of Folk Studies from the English Department. As part of the reorganization it was renamed the Center for Intercultural and Folk Studies, the coordinator changed to director, and it was added to Potter College of Arts & Letters as a department.

In 1977 the "center" was changed to the Department of Folk and Intercultural Studies and the director became a department head. On July 1, 1981 the department merged with the Department of Foreign Languages to form the Department of Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies. In 1996, Anthropology moved from Sociology to this department. On July 1, 2004 the department split to form the Department of Folk Studies & Anthropology and the Department of Modern Languages.

Coordinator

W. Lynwood Montell 1969-1974

Director

W. Lynwood Montell 1974-1979

Dept. Heads

W. Lynwood Montell 1979-1981

Carol P. Brown 1981-8/15/1989

Luz Maria "Luzma" Umpierre 7/1/1989-1992

Lynwood Montell (interim) 1992-6/30/1993

Larry Danielson 7/1/1993-7/1/1996

Thomas Baldwin 7/1/1996-1999

Linda S. Pickle 7/1/1999-2004

Michael Ann Williams 7/1/2004- (current in 2014)

Description: Records created by and during the administration of Folk Studies and Anthropology.

Dates: 1956-present

Extent: 6 folders

Subject Analytics:

Archaeology

Center for Intercultural & Folk Studies (WKU)

Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)

Folklore

Kentucky Folklore Society

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Container List

Container	Folder	Creator	Date	Title
Box 1	1	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	ca. 1992	History
Description	Allen, Barbara Anderson, Jay Clarke, Kenneth Clarke, Mary Washington Collins, Camilla Faculty Feintuch, Burt Green, Bruce Kentucky Folklore Record Keyes, Cheryl Montell, Lynwood Teske, Robert The History of the Folk Studies Program at Western Kentucky University, typescript with revisions, ca. 1992, D3787 - https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_ua_records/4216 Timelines Wilgus, D.K. Williams, Michael Ann Wilson, Gordon			
Box 1	2	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	1974-2006, nd	Events
Description	Feintuch, Burt Film Presentation by Judy Peiser, nd Folk/South: A Workshop in Folk Cultural Films and Videotapes Concerning the South, 1978 Fourth Annual Folklore Lecture: Dr. Charles Perdue, nd Kentucky Arts Commission Korine, Sol presents Showdown at the Hoedown, nd Pioneer Log Cabin Open House, 11/16/2004 Reception in Honor of Dr. Lynwood Montell, 10/15/1975 Reception in Honor of Dr. Ward Hellstrom and his support in bringing Southern Folklore to WKU, nd Smithville Jamboree Special Fall Meeting of the Kentucky Folklore Society, 11/23/1974 The Shell Mound Archaeological Project: thirty Years of Archaeology in the Big Bend of the Green River: A Public Presentation by Dr. William Marquardt and Dr. Patty Watson, 03/10/2006 Van Amstel, Albert Western Kentucky Folk Festival, nd Women Together: A Forum on the Roles of Women in Our Community, Bowling Green and Warren County, 4/24/1976			Subjects Folk music Folklore Forums (Discussion & debate) Invitations Meetings Motion picture producers & directors Receptions Speeches, address, etc. Women Workshops (Adult education)

Box 1	3	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	1956-2006	Clippings
Description	<p>Applegate, Darlene Archaeological Lecture Scheduled for Friday at WKU, PCDN, 3/8/2006 Backwoods Folklore, PCDN, 10/27/1974 Beetem, Helen Bluegrass Music Symposium Bowles, Jim Britton, Marsha Civil War Cockrel, Kimberly Cohen, Ira Collins, Camilla Confederate Soldiers Floyd, Katheryn Focus on Kentucky Folklife, The Blue Moon, March/April 2002 Harvey, Alyssa, Scholars to Examine Art of Pickin', PCDN, 9/8/2005 Hurst, Teri, Folk-South: Workshop on Southern Life and Art Tells It Like It Is, PCDN, 11/9/1978 Kentucky Folklore Record Kentucky Heritage Council Archaeological Conference Kohn, Ira Kyrock, KY Larsen, Katrina, Folklore Journal Published at WKU, PCDN, 11/20/1988 McCoy, Paul Molasses mill Monroe County, KY Morgan, Stacy, Class Examines Power of Black Churches, PCDN, 1/18/1984 Niles, Linda Faye Osinski, Bill, A Mine of Memories: Edmonson Residents Recall Once-Thriving Asphalt Town, LCJ, 2/28/1981 Pace, Richard Reynolds, George Rivers, Margo, Finally, Finality, PCDN, 12/1/2000 Rufty, Ruby Sheehan, Debbie Sisco, Scott, Researching Folklore: Folk Studies Program Offers Diverse Topics with Hands-on Training, PCDN, 10/30/2002 Southern Folklore Thomas, Bill, Park Row Paragraphs, PCDN, 03/19/1956 White, Marilyn Wilgus, D.K. WKU Students Digging Up History, PCDN, 10/23/1995 WKU to Host Bluegrass Conference, PCDN, 9/1/2005</p>		Subjects	<p>African Americans--Kentucky. Archaeology Archaeological sites Camping Excavation Folk music Graves Local history. Quilting Speeches, address, etc.</p>
Box 1	4	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	1987	Reports
Description	Folk Studies Graduate Program Review		Subjects	<p>Curriculum Strategic planning</p>
	Faculty			
Box 1	5	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	1974, 1977	Correspondence
Description	<p>Clarke, Kenneth Montell, Lynwood Moving</p>		Subjects	Retirements
Box 1	6	Folk Studies & Anthropology (WKU)	1977	Correspondence - Kentucky Folklore Society
Description	<p>Alvey, Gerald Crowe, Crawford Guthrie, Charles</p>		Subjects	<p>Clubs Folklore --Kentucky</p>

Kentucky Folklore Record

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Mailing lists

Miller, Jim

Montell, Lynwood. Memo re: Future of Folklore and Folklife Activities in Kentucky, 6/7/1977