

# The Center for Christian Spirituality Collection Finding Aid

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## Descriptive Summary

Creator: Center for Christian Spirituality

Creator: Cuelho, Mary

Creator: General Theological Seminary

Creator: Guenther, Margaret

Title: The Center for Christian Spirituality Collection

Dates: 1976-2001

Abstract: This collection contains documents, correspondence, announcements, catalogs, and photographs from the Center for Christian Spirituality. These materials tell the story of the Center from its inception in 1976 until the early 2000s. This collection also contains materials from Margaret Guenther, the center's first female director.

Quantity: 30 Manuscript boxes

Graphic materials (Box): 1 of 30

Call phrase: BV4070 .G421

Historical note: The Center for Christian Spirituality has been an integral part of the General Seminary community since its inception in 1976 by Professor Alan Jones. The first female students arrived at General in 1974, and by the 1980s the center had its first female director, Margaret Guenther, the author of Holy Listening.

Scope and Contents note: This collection is comprised of manilla folders in manuscript boxes housing documents, correspondence, and other materials related to the Center for Christian Spirituality and its key players associated with General Theological Seminary.

Box 1 Student Files-Student acceptance letters into the Spiritual Direction Program

Box 1 Thursdays at General Administration-Curriculum Planning, Syllabi 1977-1991

Box 2 Thursdays at General Administration-Curriculum Planning and Student Evaluations

Box 3 Thursdays at General Administration-Curriculum Planning and Student Evaluations

Box 1 Financial Records-1976-1986

Box 2 Financial Records-1988-1989

Box 3 Financial Records-Travel Funds, Budget

Box 4 Financial Records-Travel Funds, Budget, Thank you Notes 1993-1995

Box 1 Program Files-Saturdays at General Planning and Guidelines 1981-1988

Box 2 Program Files- Saturdays at General Evaluations and Correspondence 1986-1988

Box 3 Program Files-Saturdays at General Evaluations and Correspondence 1989-1990

Box 4 Program Files-Saturdays at General 1991-1992

Box 5 Program Files-Saturdays at General 1993-1995

Box 6 Program Files-Summers at General-Student Evaluations 1996-1997

Box 7 Program Files-Summers at General-Misc. 1998-2000

Box 1 Historical Documents-Christian Spirituality: A Bibliography manuscript by Mary Coelho and Oliver Vannorsdall, supported by Margaret Guenther, various Workshop information

Box 2 Historical Documents-Lily Grant correspondence, transitional documents related to Margaret Guenther's retirement, 1980s brochures

Box 3 Historical Documents-Center News and brochures

Box 4 Historical Documents-Misc. photos, Chapel documents, various Workshop information

Box 5 Historical Documents-Various workshops, Amicitia program

Box 6 Historical Documents-Amicitia program

Box 7 Historical Documents-Correspondence 1988-1989

Box 8 Historical Documents-Correspondence between the CCS and GTS faculty/administration

Box 9 Historical Documents-Misc. correspondence regarding Seabury Press

Box 10 Historical Documents-Information on spiritual direction programs through various churches and retreats

Box 11 Historical Documents-Group Spiritual Direction Resources, PhD program at Union Theological Seminary, LGBT Workshop, Christian Yoga

#### Access Points

Subject Names: The Center for Christian Spirituality

Document Type: Photographs

Brochures

## Manuscripts

### Correspondence

Subject organizations: General Theological Seminary (Chelsea, New York, N.Y.).

Subject topics: Religious Education-New York (State)-Chelsea

Students- New York (State)-Chelsea

Women- New York (State)-Chelsea

Spiritual Direction- New York (State)-Chelsea

Subject places: Chelsea (New York, N.Y)

### Administrative Information

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Preferred citation: Identification of item, date (if known), The Center for Christian Spirituality Collection, BV4070 .G421, Box and Folder number, General Theological Seminary.

Related Archival Materials note:

Center News, 1976-1979 (Arc BV4070.G41 C4)

CCS brochures (BV4070.G52)

Spiritual direction and directions syllabus : Easter, 1995 by Margaret Guenther (BV4070.G428 G83 1994)

Immediate Source of Acquisition note: Gift of the Center for Christian Spirituality, 2015.