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Guide to the English Language Institute Records, 1982-2000

Title

English Language Institute Records (RG 234)

Dates

1982-2000 (inclusive)
1993-1998 (bulk)

Creator

Oregon State University. English Language Institute.

Summary

The English Language Institute Records document the promotional activities and special programs of the intensive English language instruction program established at Oregon State University in 1965.

Quantity

1.2 cubic feet (2 boxes)

Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

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Historical Note

Established in 1965, the English Language Institute (ELI) offers intensive English language instruction to English language learners on the OSU campus in Corvallis and through distance education as well as instruction to teachers on best practices for teaching foreign languages or English as a second language. ELI is a self-supporting unit at Oregon State University and provides a conditional admission program for OSU students whose English proficiency is below the required level for full OSU admission. ELI enrolls students from around the world with many participants from Asia, the Middle East, and Central and South America.

The Yemen-American Language Institute, an intensive English Language teaching program in Sana'a, Yemen Araba Republic, was operated and managed through a cooperative agreement between the U.S. Agency for International Development and the English Language Institute from 1985 to 1990.

The Asia University America Program was established at OSU in 1988 to bring Japanese students from the Asia University in Tokyo to OSU for intensive English language training as well as classes in American history and culture and physical education. The English Language Institute designed and implemented the program, which was also established at three Washington universities. The program at OSU was closed in August 1994.

Content Description

The English Language Institute (ELI) Records document the Institute's outreach and promotion to potential students, including participation in American education fairs overseas, and reflect ELI's interaction with prospective students, recruitment agents, and the U.S. Agency for International Development. The records include agreements, correspondence, newspaper clippings, notes, proposals, reports, and videotapes. The records also document special programs administered by ELI, including the Yemen-American Language Institute and the Asia University America Program. The five videotapes include four promotional productions about the English Language Institute prepared in 1994-1998 and a recording of the 1998 memorial service for Chika Kobayashi, a Japanese student enrolled in the ELI program who died in a car accident in Oregon.

Preferred Citation

English Language Institute Records (RG 234), Oregon State University Archives, Corvallis, Oregon.

Acquisition Information

Records transferred from the English Language Institute in 2006.

Future Additions

Additions to the collection are expected.

Processing Note

This collection is not fully processed; this guide is preliminary and does not include a folder or box list.

Related Material

Records of the Yemen-American Language Institute and the Asia University America Program are part of the International Education Records (RG 164). The [Asia University America Program Photographs \(P 209\)](#) are maintained as a separate collection.

Subjects

This collection is indexed under the following headings in the OSU Libraries Catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons, or places should search the catalog (<http://oasis.oregonstate.edu>) using these headings.

Organizations

Asia University America Program (Oregon State University)

Topics

English language-Study and teaching--Oregon--Corvallis--Foreign speakers.
Students, Foreign--Oregon--Corvallis.

Forms of Materials in the Collection

Videotapes.