



Guide to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Jean Nidetch Care Center Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Jean Nidetch Care Center (2020-)
Title:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas Jean Nidetch Care Center Records
ID:	UA-00062
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1990 to 2019
Physical Description:	3.19 Cubic Feet (5 boxes, 1 oversized box)
Physical Description:	3.37 Linear Feet
Physical Description:	280 Digital Files (1.845 GB) JPG, MP4, PDF, PDF/A, PPT, PUB, ODS, WMA
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The University of Nevada, Las Vegas Jean Nidetch Care Center Records (approximately 1990-2019) are comprised of physical and digital records that document events, organizational records, and marketing for the UNLV Jean Nidetch Care Center (JNCC), formerly the Jean Nidetch Women's Center. The materials primarily document events held by the JNCC including scholarship ceremonies and receptions, "Take Back The Night", fundraising events, community job fairs, lecture programs, informational sessions, and student and community advocacy. The organizational records consist of internal JNCC information such as Advisory Council meeting minutes, newsletters, reports, and the UNLV Ad Hoc Committee on the State of Women. Marketing materials in this collection include JNCC brochures and informational booklets. Additional materials include scrapbooks and photographs of JNCC events from the 1990s through the 2010s.

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Historical Background

The Jean Nidetch Care Center at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) was established in 1991 as a result of a University and Community College System of Nevada (UCCSN) Regents' ad hoc committee on the Status of Women report that looked at issues related to gender equity in the academic environment. One recommendation from that report was the establishment of a Women's Center which would provide services, events, and a safe environment supporting women attending UNLV. The Women's Center specifically aimed to provide support for non-traditional students. Mary Ruth Carleton was hired as the Women's Center Coordinator in 1991 to raise funds to create the Center's physical space and underwrite staff positions.

In 1993, philanthropist and businesswoman Jean Nidetch provided a \$1 million donation to build the physical space and set up a scholarship endowment. The Center was officially dedicated and named as the Jean Nidetch Women's Center in 1994. In 2020, the Center was renamed as the Jean Nidetch Care (Campus Anti-Violence Advocacy, Resources, & Empowerment) Center to primarily focus on helping all students facing power-based violence, regardless of gender. The Care Center operates from an anti-oppression framework to provide care for the UNLV community through creating a supportive and inclusive environment to address issues related to power-based violence through educational workshops, referrals to social services, and events. The Care Center also works with the President's Advisory Committee to make recommendations on best practice measures to identify, respond, and prevent interpersonal violence.

Sources:

"The Care Center." UNLV, Accessed March 14, 2025. <https://www.unlv.edu/carecenter>

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Newberg, Katelyn, "UNLV center for addressing 'power-based' violence awarded federal grant," *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. January 6, 2025. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/local/education/unlv-center-for-addressing-power-based-violence-awarded-federal-grant-3260441/>

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged by type.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research, with the exception of materials that are restricted to protect medical information. Restrictions are noted at the file level of this inventory and will be open for research use on January 1, 2086.

Arrangements must be made in advance to access digital files; please contact UNLV Special Collections and Archives for additional information.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were transferred to the University Archives in 2016, 2024, and 2025 by the Jean Nidetch Care Center; accession numbers 2016-055, 2024-020, and 2025-018.

Appraisal Note

Acquired by Aaron Mayes, curator for Visual Materials and University Archives, as part of UNLV Special Collections and Archives' holdings on University history. The original acquisition included one optical disc containing commercially available music that was not ingested. Tammi Kim reviewed and appraised digital files and removed duplicate files.

Processing Note

A rough inventory of the accession was created by Maggie Bukowski in 2017. To prepare the inventory, the described materials were reviewed to create a contents list, estimate dates, and identify material types. No other work has been performed on the materials. In 2024, Sarah Jones accessioned two additional boxes and added them to the inventory. In 2025, Landon Paljusaj processed the physical materials from accession 2025-018 and updated the finding aid. In 2025, Tammi Kim processed the digital materials from accession 2025-018 including transferring files off of optical discs, reformatting files into access copies, and updated the finding aid.

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Names and Subjects

- Women -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Mental health services
- Women's rights
- Student affairs services
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Organizational records	

Status of Women committee reports, recommendations, meeting minutes and correspondence, 1990 to 2006	box 01
General organizational goals and planning documents, 1994 to 1998	box 01
Advisory Council meeting minutes and reports, 1995	box 01
Developmental action plans, 1997 to 1998	box 01
Correspondence with United Way, 1994	box 01
"Quiz cart questions", approximately 1992 to 1999	box 01
2007-2008 JNWC annual report and peer educator training manual, 2009 (UA_00062_058) Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.002 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
Scrapbooks	
"Jean Nidetch Women's Center" fabric-covered scrapbook with photographs of Jean Nidetch at various events, approximately 1994 to 2009	box 03
"Jean Nidetch Women's Center" scrapbook with newspaper clippings, photographs, fliers, and statistics, 1995 to 2011 Physical Description: 2 Files Restricted: Materials are restricted to protect medical information and will be open for research use on January 1, 2086. Restricted materials are housed in Box SH-047.	box 05 box SH-047
"Jean Nidetch Women's Center" scrapbook with brochures, photographs, event fliers and handouts, and newspaper clippings, 1997 to 2010 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 05
"JNWC in the news" scrapbook with newspaper articles about the Center, 1998 to 2012 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 05
Events and promotional materials	
UNLV and local newspaper clippings relating to JNCC events, 1990 to 2002 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 01
Jean Nidetch and others at JNCC events: photographic prints, approximately 1992 to 1999 Physical Description: 5 Files	box 04
Care Center events digital files	
Jean Nidetch scholarship recipients slide deck, 2001 (UA_00062_003) Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.387 GB) PDF	digital file 00
Susan B. Komen celebration luncheon presentation slide deck and "Race for the Cure" video, 2007 to 2008 (UA_00062_006-007) Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.075 GB) MP4, PPT, WMA	digital file 00
2007 JNWC events postcard and fliers, 2007 (UA_00062_025, UA_00062_059, UA_00062_061)	

Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.035 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
JNWC events and staff digital photographs, 2008 (UA_00062_060) Physical Description: 12 Digital Files (0.0437 GB) JPG	digital file 00
Adopt a Family fliers, 2009 to 2010 (UA_00062_056-057) Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.003 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
Rebel Wellness Zone and JNWC events postcard, 2009 (UA_00062_027) Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.001 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
UNLV vs. SDSU pink zone digital photographs, 2010 (UA_00062_054)	digital file 00
Event programs, calendars, and fliers, 1992 to 1999	box 01
Brochures and design planning documents, approximately 1992 to 1999	box 01
Scholarship awards ceremony event programs and invitations, 1995 to 1998	box 01
Scholarship awards ceremony event programs and photographic contact sheets, 2006 to 2008	box 01
Newsletters published by the Center, 1994, 2006-2010 (UA_00062_008-017) Physical Description: 1 Files Physical Description: 10 Digital Files (PDF/A, PUB) Conditions Governing Access: One 2008 newsletter (UA_00062_016) was created in Microsoft Publisher and transferred off of one optical disc. UNLV Special Collections and Archives was unable to open or convert this digital file into an accessible format during processing. Please contact UNLV Special Collections and Archives for additional information.	box 01 digital file 00
Interactive dinner theatre posters, program, and tickets, 1996 to 2002	box 01
"Vagina Monologues" canvas print with image of t-shirt and logo, approximately 2010 to 2019	box 03
Laminated newspaper clippings and photographs of "Take Back the Night," "Men Rebelling Against Violence," and other events, approximately 1997 to 2011 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 02 oversized box 06
"Take Back the Night" digital files	
"Take Back the Night" fliers, campus ticket, and marketing files, 2004 to 2011 (UA_00062_002, UA_00062_018, UA_00062_020-023a) Physical Description: 8 Digital Files (0.291 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
"Take Back the Night" event digital photographs, 2007 to 2008 (UA_00062_004-005)	digital file 00

Physical Description: 32 Digital Files (0.150 GB) JPG

"Defining Beauty" event flier, postcard, and mailing list, 2007 (UA_00062_044-045, UA_00062_047)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.001 GB) PDF/A, ODS	
Care Center marketing digital files	
Advocacy Support Education & Response Team Against Violence (ASERTAV) brochure and magnet, 2009 to 2011 (UA_00062_028, UA_00062_041)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.004 GB) PDF/A	
Peers Advocating Anti-Violence Education (PAAVE) brochures, 2009 (UA_00062_029, UA_00062_031, UA_00062_036)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 6 Digital Files (0.005 GB) PDF/A	
Community Wellness Directories, 2008 to 2009 (UA_00062_048-049)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.002 GB) PDF/A, ODS	
JNWC bookmarks, 2009 to 2011 (UA_00062_038-040, UA_00062_053)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 17 Digital Files (0.013 GB) PDF/A	
JNWC information and sponsor booklet, 2007 to 2008 (UA_00062_035, UA_00062_062)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.007 GB) PDF/A, PUB	
Conditions Governing Access: The sponsor booklet (UA_00062_062) was created in Microsoft Publisher and was transferred off of one optical disc. UNLV Special Collections and Archives was unable to open or convert this digital file into an accessible format during processing. Please contact UNLV Special Collections and Archives for additional information.	
JNWC brochures, 2007 to 2012 (UA_00062_032-034, UA_00062_042-043, UA_00062_051)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 10 Digital Files (0.004 GB) JPG, PDF/A	
JNWC digital photographs used for website, 2005 (UA_00062_001)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 8 Digital Files (0.015 GB) JPG	