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ARC-008: The Madeleine M. Leininger Collection
on Human Caring and Transcultural Nursing, circa 1950-2012

General Collection Description

Extent: Entire collection is approximately 85 linear ft.

Provenance: Dr. Madeleine M. Leininger, PhD, RN, CTN, LHD, DS, PhDNSc, FAAN

Collection Access: The collection is unrestricted. On-site access is available by appointment. [Click here for policies and procedures for use of the Archives' collections.](#) Copying/scanning is subject to copyright restrictions. Some documents have been scanned and are linked from the Finding Aids. "Click here..." follows the entries for these documents.

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Note: In addition to the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing Archives of Caring in Nursing, Dr. Leininger's works can be accessed from four other archival organizations:

- The Howard Gotlieb Archival Research Center at Boston University maintains a collection including files, published works and audio materials in its History of Nursing Archives (<http://www.bu.edu/dbin/archives/index.php?pid=401&holdings=nursingarchive>).
- Madonna University Libraries in Livonia, Michigan, holds a collection of books and other materials relating to her scholarly work (<http://www.madonna.edu/libraries/>).
- The Walter P. Reuther Library at Wayne State University holds a collection of papers spanning 1953-1995. The Finding Aid to the collection is at <http://www.reuther.wayne.edu/node/1587>
- The website, <http://www.Madeleine-Leininger.com> is "...a cooperative effort for the purpose of disseminating information about Transcultural Nursing and the work of Dr. Madeleine Leininger throughout the world." It is designed for "...for nurses, including clinicians, educators and students." Original works by Dr. Leininger are available from this site.

Collection Overview: The Madeleine M. Leininger Collection on Human Caring and Transcultural Nursing contains the scholarly and professional papers – spanning approximately 1950 to 2012 – that were donated to the Archives by Dr. Leininger during

2008-2012. The scope of the Collection is diverse: development and evolution of transcultural nursing; caring as the essence of nursing; the evolution of doctoral programs theoretically grounded in transcultural nursing; and the evolution of qualitative research in nursing; cultural materials (books, pamphlets, papers, clippings, etc., about many cultures throughout the world); and ethics. The Collection, spanning approximately 85 linear feet, contains books, dissertations and theses, journal issues, copies of published and unpublished or pre-publication papers (including keynote and other conference and workshop addresses), professional correspondence, clippings from newspapers, personal correspondence, audio and video recordings, and photographs from field work and academic and scientific gatherings spanning Dr. Leininger's professional career. The Collection is unrestricted. Materials are available for scholarly and research use on site, by appointment. Some items have been scanned and are linked from the Finding Aids for each Series. Items that are linked are freely available for downloading; the Archives' citation is noted on each linked item.

Outline of ARC-008: The Madeleine M. Leininger Collection on Human Caring and Transcultural Nursing, circa 1950-2012:

[Series 1: Biographical Materials, 1940-2012](#)

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Graduate education

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Subseries 2: Nursing and Transcultural Nursing Curriculum Development

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Subseries 6: Post-retirement inquiries and correspondence

[Series 5: Membership and Leadership in Professional Organizations](#)

Subseries 1: Transcultural Nursing Society

Section 1: Transcultural Nursing Society - Organization, History, Board of Directors, Newsletter, Videotapes/DVDs, Website

Section 2: Transcultural Nursing Certification

Section 3: *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*

Section 4: Transcultural Nursing Society Conferences [See also Series 2, Presentations]

Subseries 2: International Association for Human Caring [See also ARC-002, Archives of the International Association for Human Caring]

Subseries 3: American Nurses Association (ANA), American Academy of Nursing (AAN), Michigan Nurses Association

Subseries 4: American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)

Subseries 5: Council of Nurses and Anthropologists (CONAA)

[Series 6: Development of Leininger's Theory of Culture Care Diversity and Universality, and Transcultural Nursing and Human Caring Resources](#)

[Series 7 Overview - Research and Grants](#)

Subseries 1: Proposals to US Department of Health and Human Services

Subseries 2: Research Projects

[See also Series 4 and Series 8. For New Guinea research data see Series 10.]

[Series 8: Research Methods; Qualitative Research in Nursing](#)

[Series 9: Ethics](#)

[Series 10: New Guinea Field Data](#)

Subseries 1 - Field Notebooks and Data; 1963-1964 Field Work

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[Series 11: Cultural Materials; Anthropology](#)

[Series 12: Journals Collection - Complete issues having contents annotated by M. Leininger](#)

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[Series 14: Leininger Book Collection](#)

Subseries 1 - Books authored or edited by M. Leininger

Subseries 2 - Books shaping the scholarly endeavors of M. Leininger

Subseries 3 - Dissertations and theses in the Leininger Collection

[Series 15: Audio and Video Recordings](#)

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Brief Biography of Madeleine M. Leininger, PhD, RN, CTN, LHD, DS, PhDNSc, FAAN.

Born July 13, 1925 in Sutton, Nebraska.

Died: August 10, 2012 in Omaha, Nebraska.

Note: Several versions of her curriculum vitae (CV) are archived as part of the Collection. See Folders 1-9 through 1-11. [pdf copies are available]

Madeleine M. Leininger graduated from St. Anthony's Hospital School of Nursing in Denver, Colorado, in 1948. During her training, she was a member of the U.S. Cadet Nurse

Corps, a federally-funded program to increase the numbers of nurses being trained to meet anticipated needs during World War II. She received the BS degree from Mount St. Scholastica College (later Benedictine College) in Atchison, Kansas, in 1950, and earned the equivalent of a BSN through her studies in biological sciences, nursing administration, teaching and curriculum at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, during 1951-1954. This prepared her for graduate studies (Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing) at The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, where she received her MSN in 1954. She then studied at the University of Cincinnati, pursuing further graduate studies in curriculum, social sciences and nursing (1955-58), and directed the Child Psychiatric Nursing Program as an Associate Professor of Nursing (1954-1959.) She pursued doctoral studies beginning in 1960; during this time she was awarded a National League of Nursing Fellowship for fieldwork in the Eastern Highlands of New Guinea, where she studied the convergence and divergence of human behavior in two Gadsup villages. Dr. Leininger received a PhD in Cultural and Social Anthropology from the University of Washington in 1966.

Dr. Leininger's academic career is impressive. Beginning as Associate Professor of Nursing at the University of Cincinnati in 1954, she went on to the University of Colorado (1966-1969) where she held a joint appointment in the College of Nursing and the Department of Anthropology and directed the Nurse Scientist Program. From 1969-1974 she was Dean and Professor of Nursing at the University of Washington where she also held a Lecturer appointment in the Department of Anthropology. At the University of Utah (1974-1981) she was Dean and Professor of Nursing, Adjunct Professor of Anthropology, and Director of the Center for Nursing Research and of the Doctoral and Transcultural Nursing Programs. While at Wayne State University (1981-1985) she was Professor of Nursing, Adjunct Professor of Anthropology, and Director of the Transcultural Nursing Program and of the Center for Health Research. From 1995 to present she has been an Adjunct Clinical Professor of Nursing at the University of Nebraska. At present, Dr. Leininger's titles include Professor Emeritus of Nursing, Wayne State University College of Nursing; Adjunct Clinical Professor at University of Nebraska College of Nursing; Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing; and Distinguished Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing (Australia). She was honored as a Living Legend by the American Academy of Nursing (1998), and holds honorary degrees from Benedictine College (LHD, 1975), University of Indianapolis (DS, 1990), and University of Kuopio, Finland (PhDNSc, 1991).

The Transcultural Nursing Society, founded by Dr. Leininger in 1974, "...continues to serve as an important annual forum to bring nurses together worldwide with common and diverse interests to improve care to people of diverse and similar cultures. Members are active in consultation, teaching, research, direct care and in policy-making in national and transnational arenas" (TCN Website, www.tcn.org).

Dr. Leininger, credited with saying, "Caring is the essence of nursing," established the Caring Conferences in 1978 as a forum for nurse scholars interested in advancing caring knowledge to gather for formal presentations, informal dialogue, and to evolve research related to caring sciences. This once small group has evolved into the International Association for Human Caring (IAHC).

All this began in the 1950's, when Madeleine Leininger became fascinated with anthropology, finding many concepts she believed were pertinent to nursing. She became the first professional nurse to receive a PhD in cultural and social anthropology, and her vision of the "blending" of two fields, nursing and anthropology, led to her "Culture Care

Diversity and Universality: A Worldwide Theory of Nursing.” As the mother of transcultural nursing and founder of the Transcultural Nursing Society, she has advanced transcultural nursing through education, research, administration, and practice. Dr. Leininger was in demand for over 35 years as a consultant and speaker on issues relating to transcultural nursing and human caring in education and research, and continued such engagements through 2011.

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The Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing is dedicated to caring: advancing the science, studying its meaning, practicing the art, and living it day-to-day.

The Archives of Caring in Nursing has as its mission preserving the history of caring in nursing, inviting the study of caring, advancing caring as an essential domain of nursing knowledge, and creating meaning for the practice of nursing. We are committed to securing the papers of Caring scholars, and developing and maintaining the Archives to provide access to primary sources.

Finding Aids for the collections are accessible at the Archives of Caring in Nursing [Collections](#) page. On-site use of the materials in the collections is available by appointment.

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