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Read collection overview

To commemorate its 150th anniversary in 2013, UMass Amherst authorized an oral history project to record and preserve our unwritten recent history. Coordinated by the Libraries' Department of Special Collections and University Archives and under the guidance of a committee drawn from long-time members of the faculty and staff, the project set the goal of recording 150 interviews representing a broad cross-section of the university community, including administrators and faculty, alumni, students, staff, and members of the local community.

The 150 interviews that comprise the Sesquicentennial Oral History Project are organized into seven series: Academics, Administration, Alumni and students, the Libraries, Marching Band, Staff, and University Press. Interviews range in length from roughly half an hour to over three hours: all are available in audio format with some also available in video.

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Background on Oral History at UMass

George Beatty Jr., Vice Chancellor of
Administration and Finance, being interviewed

To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the founding of Massachusetts Agricultural College in 2013, UMass Amherst authorized an oral history project to record and preserve its recent history. Documentary projects tied to previous anniversaries had yielded a relatively robust understanding of how a small agricultural college had been transformed into a modern research university; however memories of the period since the university's centennial were captured only sparingly. During that half century, the university had witnessed the explosive growth in size and in its built environment; a radical expansion of its curriculum; extraordinary academic achievement; economic, academic, and social ferment; and an ongoing evolution in both student expectations and in the ideals on which public higher education is founded.

Coordinated by the Libraries' Department of Special Collections and University Archives and guided by a committee including Nancy Buffone, Carol Connare, Robert Cox, David Glassberg, Joel Martin, W. Brian O'Connor, Bruce Wilcox, and Ruth Yanka, the Sesquicentennial Oral history project planned to conduct 150 interviews beginning in July 2012, with the goal of sampling a broad cross-section of the campus community, taking advantage of important anniversaries for the Department of Music and Dance and the College of Nursing to explore those units in particular detail.

Among the guiding principles of the project was the desire to create a balanced portrait of the experiences of a diverse community. In addition to recording the history of the university as seen from the highest echelons -- the central administration and faculty -- the project hoped to include voices representing the fuller depth and breadth of our community, including alumni, students, and people employed in non-academic positions throughout the university.

Scope of collection

Beginning in the mid-1970s, several oral history projects have been undertaken at UMass Amherst to enrich the documentary record for the university. Over the years, both the Program in Public History and the University Archives have coordinated At both the 125th and 150th anniversaries of the founding of the Massachusetts Agricultural College

Series descriptions

[UMass Amherst Oral Histories](#)

2012
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Among the specific projects was a series of interviews organized by the University Archives and conducted by Julie E. Melrose to document the campus community in the years before Massachusetts Agricultural College began its transformation into a university. The interviewees included members of MAC classes from 1911-1934, as well as members of the humanities faculty offering reflections on prominent faculty members, student life, women at MAC, the curriculum, and the growth and development of the college.

[Memory Corps](#)

2011-2015
RG 1/207/02

Memory Corps is an ongoing project led by the Special Collections and University Archives to conduct short oral history interviews with Alumni during the University's annual Alumni weekend. The interviewees are often from that year's 50th anniversary class.

[125th Anniversary Oral History Project](#)

1988 Jul-Aug
RG 1/207/1988

For the 125th Anniversary of UMass in 1988, Prof. of History David Glassberg arranged for UMass students to conduct a series of oral histories under the aegis of a course, History 371U. The subjects of interviews ranged from former chancellors and faculty to a long-time administrators, a clerk, and a Sergeant in the UMass Police Department.

[Sesquicentennial Oral History Project](#)

2010-2014
RG 1/207/2013

The 150 interviews that comprise the Sesquicentennial Oral History Project are organized into five series: Academics (and by College or School within), Administration, Alumni and students, Amherst Community, and Staff and non-academic units. Interviews range in length from roughly half an hour to over three hours: all are available in audio format with some also available in video.

Inventory

UMass Amherst Oral Histories

1974-2014

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Alexander, Charles P. (Entomology): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1976 Jul 21

Interview with retired faculty member: entomology and zoology; Amherst in the early days; development of the Department of Entomology.

Barnard, Ellsworth (English) and Mary Taylor Barnard (alumna): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Leverett, Mass.)

1977 Apr 25

Interview with members of class of 1928 (and Prof. of English) and 1934, respectively. Impressions of Ray Torrey, Frank Prentice Rand; Elsworth's work as Ombudsman in the 1970s.

Class of 1919: oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1976 Jun 5

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Interview with members of class of 1919, including:

Mary E. Garvey

Willard K. French

Anna Liebman Shore

E. Sidney Stockwell

Conant, Eudora Van Meter: oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1977 Jan 17

Interview with wife of President Ralph Van Meter: memories of Amherst when she arrived (1917); First and Second World War on campus; Ralph Van Meter's presidency; struggles with legislature over funding; Van Meter's illness and death; duties as wife of college president; president's house; GI Bill and construction of new (cheap) buildings; letters from first two women to graduate from MAC.

Curtis, Helen (Dean of Women): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1976 Jul 30

Interview with Dean of Women (1945-1973); women at MAC; Edna Skinner and Kenyon Butterfield; duties of Dean of Women; post-World War II at UMass; development of women's residential area on north campus; women in engineering, sciences; women's dormitories, house councils; women's student government; student life; honors societies; admissions and affirmative action; returning students and continuing education; pregnancies and "sex problems"; student health and mental health services; alcohol abuse; danger to women and changes after open dorms instituted in 1969.

De Boer, Erma (alumna): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1976 Jul 29

Interview with non-traditional student who entered UMass in 1951 at 45; entering the university; physical education requirement; Helen Curtis; professors and coursework.

Goding, Stowell (German): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1977 Feb 7

Interview with former Professor of German; dismissal of Miss Hicks during the Depression; women on faculty and in classroom; construction of gym and athletic fields; Frank Waugh's courses; development of foreign language program; Mather and Baker; music department; lack of interest by legislature; change from Mass State to UMass; graduate program; growth of library collections; publish or perish; rivalry between Amherst and UMass.

Goldberg, Maxwell (English): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)

1976 Jun 8-10

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1928) and Emeritus Commonwealth Professor of Humanities: encouragement by Robert Patterson to pursue graduate study in English; graduate study at Yale; impact of the Depression; discrimination and return to Mass. State; change from Mass. Agricultural College to Mass State; Mass Action; adviser to student publications; work with Collegian and troubles; the Inkhorne and literary magazines; Kenyon Butterfield and agricultural spirit at MAC; Robert H. Patterson; evolution of

curriculum; Committee of Post-War Adjustments; GI Bill, returning veterans, and growth of campus; campus apathy of 1950s and energy of 1960s; Frank Prentice Rand; Walter "Bull" Prince; Ray Ethan Torrey; Guy Crampton; Jewish fraternity and life on campus; Jewish faculty; growth of liberal arts on campus; student pranks; Jewish fraternities in 1920s and Intercollegiate Menorah Society; changes in Jewish presence on campus; Hillel movement; Jewish life on campus in 1940s-1950s; Jean Paul Mather.

Hawley, Robert D. (Extension Service): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1977 Jan 5

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1920) and later Extension Service; curriculum at MAC; struggles with legislature over funding; background in Extension; extension work in the field; trustees; change in name from MAC to Mass. State College and opposition from agricultural interests; difficulties with space for veterans; honor system; hazing and inter-class competition; lack of African American students; conflict with private businesses over selling college farm produce.

Jones, Laurence (alumnus): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1977 Jun 6

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1926); athletic background; unity of spirit in small college; building of women's dormitory (Abigail Adams House); social life on campus; Ray Ethan Torrey's influence; Kid Gore; Frank Prentice Rand; memories of rope pull; class activities (sings); dances in Memorial Hall; ROTC; the infirmary; the library and its little use; Kenyon Butterfield.

MacDougall, Allister Francis (alumnus): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 May 28

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1913) and Extension worker; work as Extension Agent; education at MAC; scarlet fever and diphtheria epidemics; Brooks House; the MAC library and its use; fraternities; student protest over volunteer work; international students; no racial problems; change in character of school after First World War; belittling of agricultural studies; athletes highly regarded on campus; weather flags on South College.

MacDougall, Edna Comins: oral history with Katherine Emerson (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 May 28

Interview with Hadley native; family and farm (in Russelville, North Hadley); neighbor Levi Stockbridge.

McLaughlin, Fred (Botany): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jul 20

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1911) and Professor of Botany; memories of MAC; life as a freshman; pond parties; student pranks and customs; Professor Hasbrouck; Frank Waugh; fraternities; short rations; Ray Ethan Torrey; working through college; the farm; student entertainments; alcohol not a big part of student life; military duties, ROTC; rifle team; becoming lab assistant, instructor; the library; attitudes toward faculty much more respectful; quality of education.

Mitchell, Helen (Home Economics): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jul 29

Interview with Dean of Home Economics: background at Mt Holyoke College and Yale; return to MAC and Dean of Home Economics; the Homestead and Stockbridge House; receipt of honorary degree; study of nutrition in Hokkaido.

Rand, Margarita Hopkins: oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jul 15

Interview with wife of Frank Prentice Rand: arrival in Amherst with husband in 1916; Roister Doisters; the Schubernachdie; plays and visiting poets; Cornelia Otis Skinner; Carl Sandburg; Robert Frost; Archibald MacLeish; Kenyon Butterfield and family; Frank Waugh and family; Ray Stannard Baker; Ray Ethan Torrey; Faculty Women's Club; George Cutler; life in Amherst; Amherst Women's Club.

Ryan, Alvan S. (alumnus): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Brattleboro, Vt.)
1976 Jul 22

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1934) and later instructor at Fort Devens (English); change from agricultural college to university; Ray Ethan Torrey; Torrey's Friday night meetings; Ellsworth Barnard; Fred Troy; Fritz Ellert; college hijinks; student support for changing from agricultural college; teaching at Fort Devens; low salary at UMass and Devens.

Simmons, Perez and Linus H. Jones (alumni): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jun 6

Interview with Simmons, alumnus (Class of 1916), and Jones (Class of 1916): student hijinks (Night Shirt Parade, rope pull, pond parties, arena parties etc.); compulsory chapel; roughhousing; Burnham Declamation Prize; social activities; town and gown tensions; Billy Hasbrouck; Clarence Gordon; scarlet fever epidemic, YMCA; campus events; work on campus; Kenyon Butterfield; Murray D. Lincoln.

Varley, Leland (English): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jun 25

Interview with Professor of English at Mass State and UMass: arrival in 1938 hurricane; Amherst community; personalities in the department; Walter Prince; Ray Ethan Torrey; Torrey's discussion group; academic culture at UMass; Orchard Hill residential area (Varley was master there from 1964-1968); relations between UMass and Hokkaido University.

Wheeler, Mae Nolden (alumna): oral history with Julie E. Melrose (Amherst, Mass.)
1976 Jun 6

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1916): women at MAC; Kenyon Butterfield and family; women's social lives and studies; MAC professors; Hasbrouck.

Memory Corps
2011-2015
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Anderson, Elva: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1948

[Aronow, Victor A.: oral history with Aaron Rubinstein](#)
2015

Member of the class of 1965

Balcom, John: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1938

Bennett, John: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1952

Burke, George "Trigger": oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1938

Fay, Charles: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1956

Fisher, Virginia: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1941

[Harris, Charles: oral history with Aaron Rubinstein](#)
2015

Member of the class of 1965

Hollis, Jean: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1946

Horn, Bob: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1956

Johnson, Harry "Buzz": oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1956

Kaligian, Barker: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2011

Member of the class of 1956

McGrath, William: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1952

Merkin (Potish), Rina: oral history with Robert S. Cox
2015

Member of the class of 1962

Palter, Elizabeth Schneck and Patricia Wood: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Members of the class of 1962

Parrish, Lawrence: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1957

Pawluk, Borys: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1962

Rory (McLaughlin), Joan and Doris Norsky : oral history with Caroline J. White
2015

Members of the class of 1950

Siano, Alfred and Mary Siano: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Members of the class of 1962

Stidsen, Carlton A.: oral history with Caroline J. White
2015

Member of the class of 1965

Whitmore, William R.: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1953

Worthington (Cooper), Mary Ann: oral history with Danielle Kovacs
2012

Member of the class of 1957

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[Boy, Sarah: oral history with Rosalind Cuomo](#)

1988 Aug 4
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Interview with instructor in Russian, graduate of Bryn Mawr (1968).

[Denison, John W.: oral history with Rosalind Cuomo](#)

1988 Jul 29

00:42:21 and 00:36:32

Interview with Dean of Stockbridge School and poultry farmer, 62, native of Harrison, Me., regarding agricultural education, Stockbridge School.

[Dumas, Mary: oral history with Rosalind Cuomo](#)

1988 Jul 19

00:43:09 and 00:43:27

Interview with Staff Assistant and Accreditation Manager in Dept. of Public Safety and Sergeant, University Police.

[Fessenden, Ruth: oral history with Robert Paul Gabrielsky](#)

1988 Jul 21

00:43:43 and 00:45:45

Interview with alumnus (Class of 1969), originally a student in Math, later History major, and administrator at Everywoman's Center.

[Hite, Jon: oral history with Robert Paul Gabrielsky](#)

1988 Aug 11

00:43:22, 00:45:51, and 00:46:23

Interview with Hite, 34, alumnus (Class of 1978).

[Kaplan, Sidney: oral history with Robert Paul Gabrielsky](#)

1988 Jul 28

00:44:17

Interview with Kaplan, Professor of History.

[Melley, Dan: oral history with unidentified interviewer](#)

1988 Jul 12

00:44:49 and 00:45:48

Interview with Melley, alumnus (class of 1956) and Office of University Relations.

[O'Brien, Richard: oral history](#)

1988

00:45:36 and 00:18:29

Chancellor, former Executive Vice Chancellor, and former Provost, offering highlights of his time at UMass, positive and negative.

[Sarna, Joe: oral history with Rosalind Cuomo](#)

1988 Jul 13

00:42:50

Interview with retired clerk at UMass.

Sesquicentennial Oral History Project

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Academics

2013

Agriculture

2013

[Autio, Wesley: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 13

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[Barker, Allen: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 11

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[Craker, Lyle: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jul 30

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[Gerber, John: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 10

00:33:39

[Herbert, Stephen J.: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jul 18
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Commonwealth College
2013

[Pols, Cory: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2012 Aug 09
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College of Education
2013

[Caban, Juan: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Oct 30
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[Maloy, Robert W.: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Nov 22
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[Rudman, Masha: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 07
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College of Engineering
2013-2014

[Baker, Erin \(Mechanical and Industrial Engineering\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Feb 06
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Interview with faculty member in the Wind Energy Program, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. Using mathematics degree after undergraduate study; Peace Corps; doctorate in Engineering Economic Systems at Stanford on climate change economics policy; arrival at UMass; status of women in engineering; industrial engineering; work in climate change policy and relation to wind energy; program in engineering, environmental science, and policy (IGERT: Integrative Graduate Education Research and Teaching) within wind program; interdisciplinarity at UMass; memorable students, colleagues.

[Capistran, Jim: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Oct 24
00:47:53

[Lackner, Matthew A. \(Mechanical and Industrial Engineering\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Jan 22
00:45:48

Interview with graduate and faculty member in the Wind Energy Program, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. Interest in renewable energy; education at MIT and UMass; challenges of off shore wind energy; grant writing; UMass and wind power legacy; teaching; Dutch and wind power; Cape Winds Associates and opposition to offshore wind energy in Massachusetts; logistics of wind power.

[Manwell, James F. \(Mechanical and Industrial Engineering\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Oct 31
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Interview with graduate and faculty member of the Wind Energy Program, Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering: coming to UMass and introduction to engineering and wind power; starting graduate study in renewable energy with Bill Heronemus and Jim McGowan; Wind Furnace 1 (WF-1) and work on systems design; "sabbatical" in Nicaragua working on hydropower and wind projects; Silvio Conte and support in funding Wind Energy Program at UMass; relations with the state and offshore wind energy; wind energy education at UMass; offshore wind and Cape Wind project; work on Wind Furnace; Bill Heronemus.

[McGowan, J. G. \(Mechanical and Industrial Engineering\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Dec 05
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Interview with Jon McGowan, early member of the Wind Energy Center at UMass: arrived at UMass in 1967 after working at Dupont. Early impressions of UMass in rapid growth. Interest in thermodynamics and energy conversion; introduction to Bill Heronemus and renewable energy. Early grants for ocean thermal energy and wind energy and creation of the "Solar house," putting together the equipment to create wind. Silvio Conte and grant. Work in Cuba and Ivory Coast.

College of Humanities and Fine Arts
2013

[Avakian, Arlene \(Women's Studies\): oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jul 28
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[Berkman, Joyce Avrech \(History\): oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jul 09
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[Berube, Paul: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Bowman, Joye \(History\): oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 May 23
00:54:07
[Bracey, John \(Afro American Studies\): oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Sep 10
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[Bromell, Nicholas Knowles \(English\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Nov 14
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[Chametzky, Jules \(English\): oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Apr 01
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[Couch, Chris \(Comparative Literature\): oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 05
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[Greenbaum, Louis: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 20
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[Kinney, Arthur \(English\): oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jul 22
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Laurie, Bruce (History): oral history with Dan Chard (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 May 22
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[McFarland, Gerald \(History\): oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 26
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[Minear, Richard \(History\): oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Aug 12
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Music and Dance
2013
[Abercrombie, Wayne: oral history with Jaimie Kicklighter](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2011 Oct 21
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[Anderson, Elva Foerster: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#) (Pelham, Mass.)
2014 Jan 29
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Atherton, Timothy: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[Bestor, Charles: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2010 Nov 15
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[Bezanson, Tom: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Nov 19
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Boates, Tom: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[Collins, James: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#) (Holyoke, Mass.)
2013
01:02:51
Coxe, Nigel: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[du Bois, Carolyn: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Aug 28
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[Epstein, Jake: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Williamsburg, Mass.)
2011 Oct 17
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Finley, William: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[Hager, Myron: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#) (Falmouth, Mass.)
2013
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[Heffernan, Charles: oral history with Katherine Davis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2011 Oct 19
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[Jenkins, John: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2011 Oct 21
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[Lateef, Yusuf: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2011
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[Libby, Doreen: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2014 Apr 09
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[May, Ernie: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2014 Jan 26
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[Olevsky, Estela: oral history with Elizabeth Bradley](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2010 Nov 17
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[Parker, Tom: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (New York, N.Y.)
2013
00:56:07
[Patton, Marilyn: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Dec 18
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[Pitkin, Bernie: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#)
2011 Nov 04
[Rosenberg, Stan: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013
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[Schempp, Sandi: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Westfield, Mass.)
2014 Mar 06
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[Stark, Paulina: oral history with Joyce Berkman](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Aug 08
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Steele, Marilyn: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
Stern, Bob: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
Tarlow, Karen: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[Tillis, Fred: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2010 Oct 21
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Venman, Bill: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
Whaples, Miriam: oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)
[Potash, Bob: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Mar 28
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[Story, Ronald: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 25
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[Thelwell, Ekwumene Michael: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Pelham, Mass.)
2013 Aug 15
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[Weir, Robert E.: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 05
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College of Natural Sciences
2013
[Adrion, Rick: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2014 Apr 16
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[Averill, Anne: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 May 01
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[Clydesdale, Fergus: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Larson, Joe: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Paradise, Ruthanne: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Randhir, Timothy: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Mar 27

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[Slakey, Linda: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 25

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[Wogrin, Conrad: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Apr 02

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College of Nursing

2013

[Alexander, Mary K. and Lillian Goodman: oral history with Robert S. Cox and Winona Moeller](#) (Shrewsbury, Mass.)

2013 Sep 20

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Interview with Goodman (former Interim Dean of Nursing) and Alexander (alumnus), both on faculty at Worcester.

[Asselin, Micheline and Maureen Bailey: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Mar 22

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Interview with Asselin (RN to BSN graduate Class of 1974; Clinical Assistant Professor in RN-BSN program) and Bailey (Nursing alumnus and staff member from 1969-2014, becoming Coordinator for Student Support Services).

[Buttaro, Lois Aggerup: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 May 16

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Interview with member of first graduating class at UMass School of Nursing (1958).

[Cancellieri, Joe; Marueen Grodin; and Nancy Thompson: oral history with Robert S. Cox, Winona Moeller, and Ann Sheridan](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jan 16

01:12:11

Interview with alumni of School of Nursing Cancellieri (Class of 197), Grodin (Class of 1977, instructor 1991-1998, manager of Hospice and Palliative Care at Cooley-Dickinson Hospital); Thomson (Class of 1973; MS in Nursing Administration, 1991; Chair of Alumni Board); and Cancellieri (Class of 1975; career in Navy).

[Chaffee, Mary: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 07

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Interview with 1983 graduate of School of Nursing, recipient of Distinguished Alumni Award at UMass, 1998, Honorary Doctorate, 2003. Chaffee is Commander in US Navy Nurse Corps and Senior Health Program Analyst in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs in TRICARE Management Activity

[Chandler, Genevieve and Donna Zucker: oral history with Kirstin Kay](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 May 06

00:16:03 and 00:26:32

Interview with Chandler (Assoc. Professor in doctoral and BNP program) and Zucker (Assoc. Professor and expert in communicable disease prevention and behavioral modification for persons with substance abuse

[Charles, Marcella: oral history with Aaron Rubinstein](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2012 Dec 07

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Interview with first African American graduate of Nursing (Class of 1972); native of Antigua, racism in Boston schools. ODWIN program (Open Doors Wider in Nursing); applying to UMass; leaving nursing for the ministry.

[Conlin, Genevieve: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Dana-Farber Cancer Center, Boston, Mass.)

2013 Aug 06

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Interview with alumna (1993): choice of Nursing as a profession; arrival at UMass; student years; budgetary problems at UMass; Student Nurse Association; work on Alumni Board.

[DiMaggio, Gellestrina; Mary Helming; and Ann Sheridan: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Beverly, Mass.)
2012 Jul 24
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Interview with two of the first professors in the UMass School of Nursing: Tina DiMaggio (Pediatric and Maternal) and Helming (Medical and Surgical), Sheridan (Pediatric). Beginnings in nursing; early years of UMass program; early faculty; Mary Maher.

[Dreher, Melanie: oral history with Aaron Rubinstein](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2012 Aug 20
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Interview with former Dean of Nursing at UMass. Nurse Scientist traineeships and federal support for career in nursing research; doctorate in anthropology and fieldwork in Jamaica and arrival on faculty at UMass (1973). Merger of Nursing and Public Health at UMass.

[Dubiel, Marlene J. and Winona Moeller: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Apr 02
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Interview with alumni of School of Nursing: Dubiel (Class of 1961B) and Moeller (Class of 1964).

[Friedman, Alice: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Mar 20
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Interview with nursing faculty member, discussing choice of nursing as profession; education from high school (in Baltimore) through diploma at Mass. General; Columbia Teachers' College. Marriage to Harvey Friedman. Arrival at UMass. Unionization efforts in nursing profession, collective bargaining. Sabbatical in England; nursing in England. International programs.

[Millette, Brenda: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Aug 01
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Interview with Professor and Dean of Nursing at UMass Amherst (1981-2000); graduate of Newton Wellesley Hospital School of Nursing (1956), Boston University (BSN, 1960), UConn (MSN, 1981), UMass Amherst (EdD, 1989).

[Reid-Ponte, Patricia: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Dana-Farber Cancer Center, Boston, Mass.)
2013 Aug 06
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Interview with Senior Vice President for Patient Care Services at Dana-Farber Cancer Center and alumnus (Class of 1976). School of Nursing in mid-1970s; clinical experiences.

[Secatore, Janet: oral history with Robert S. Cox and Winona Moeller](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jun 07
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Interview with alumnus of UMass Amherst School of Nursing (BSN, 1969) and Boston University (MS, 1983); held positions at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston (1969-1994) Chief Nursing Officer at The Alfred Hospital in Melbourne, Australia, (1994-2005) Senior Director of Clinical and Professional Development at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston (2006-).

[Sullivan, Bill: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Oct 09
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Interview with graduate of the RN to BS program, Clinical Nurse Leader program, and Doctor of Nursing Practice program.

[Tierney, Rachel E.: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Jul 10
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Interview with alumna of UMass Amherst School of Nursing (1962, 1974G, 1990 PhD) and faculty member. Family background (parents were graduates of Mass. State); undergraduate life in early 1960s, psychiatric clinical experiences at Northampton State Hospital, diploma students versus BSN students during clinicals; psychiatric nursing in Springfield; work at American International College.

[Vanetzian, Eleanor: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Oct 09
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Interview with PhD graduate of UMass Amherst, faculty member (1989- 2005), and former Director of the Office of Nursing Scholarship (2003-2005), Director of Collaborative PhD in Nursing Program (2003-2004); Director of PhD in Nursing Program (2004-2005); and President of the Faculty Assembly (2003-2005).

[Zinter, Ansel: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Aug 01
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Interview with UMass Amherst alumnus; former undergraduate in graphic design (BFA, 1987) and architecture, instrument (harp) maker; returned to college in nursing via Springfield Technical Community College. UMass in the 1980s; work with architectural firm and change of career; harp making and transition to nursing; education at UMass in accelerated degree nursing program; work at Dartmouth, Springfield.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
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[Fabos, Julius: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Folbre, Nancy: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 May 30
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[Mainzer, Lewis: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Mar 22
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[Page, Max: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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Isenberg School of Management
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[Bernstein, J. B. : oral history with Kirstin Kay](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Mar 03
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[Hardy, Stephen : oral history with Kirstin Kay](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Aug 23
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Kjeldson, Erik : oral history with Rusty Annis (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jan 23
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[O'Brien, Thomas : oral history with Kirstin Kay](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Aug 13
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[Robinson, Alan: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jul 31
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Administration
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[Bernhardt, Gary: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Oct 24
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[Brooks, Robert N.: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Davis, Judy: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Edwards, Lee: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Aug 13
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[Goodwin, Steve: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Malone, Michael: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[McCarthy, John: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2014 Apr 11
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[Melley, Dan: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Stoia, Nikki: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Venman, Bill: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Venman, Bill: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Sep 25
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Arthur, Erika: oral history with Dan Chard (Amherst, Mass.)

[Barrett, Thomas: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 May 06
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[Black, Amber: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Easthampton, Mass.)

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[Gavin, Dorothy D.: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Hetzler, Louise: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Framingham, Mass.)

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[Kreinheder, Hazel Fuller : oral history with Kirstin Kay](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Liberfarb, Sidney: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Framingham, Mass.)

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[Parker-Burns, Julian: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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Story, Ellen: oral history with Jessica Adamites (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Jun 06
[Bersey, Lauren: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Mar 27
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[Bruno, Danielle: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Mar 27
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[Falcoff, Ben: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Lenson, Lizzie Lee: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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Amherst Community
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[Carpenter, Allan: oral history with Kathy Smiarowski](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Carpenter, Barbara: oral history with Kathy Smiarowski](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

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[Mahar, Bob: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Holyoke, Mass.)

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Staff and non-academic units
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[Canavan, MJ: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)

2013 Aug 15
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[Cavanaugh, Phil: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Oct 17
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[Craig, Jim: oral history with Katherine Garland](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Dougan, Clark: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Fifield, Marc : oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Gilbert, Michael W.: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Henley, Lloyd: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Louraine, Lou: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Loving, Elizabeth: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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Marching Band
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[Hannum, Thomas: oral history with Student](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[McCracken, Dori: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[McIntosh, Melanie: oral history with Robert S. Cox](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Pielock, Dave: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Montague, Mass.)
2014 May 06
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[Pirrello, Sandra: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Nov 07
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[Shea, James: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Belchertown, Mass.)
2013 Dec 19
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[Snow, Matthew: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Northfield, Mass.)
2014 Mar 12
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[Swain, Mike: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2014 Feb 06
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[Tidlund, April: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 Dec 23
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[Wilcox, Bruce: oral history with Jessica Adamites](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
2013 May 23
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[Wolff, Michael \(Resource Network\): oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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[Davis, Allen: oral history with Rusty Annis](#) (Hadley, Mass.)
2013 Dec 23
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Graduate student in English; adjunct staff in UWW; involved in jazz at UMass.

[Page, Alex: oral history with Dan Chard](#) (Amherst, Mass.)
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UMass Amherst Professor of English and activist in the Massachusetts Society of Professors.

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