Community Studies Archives

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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: South Asian Diaspora

Material: Recorded and transcribed interviews to members of Central Pennsylvania’s South Asian community.

Volume: This collection includes interview transcripts, DV and CTX recordings and interview notes. Five interviews have been transcribed and can be found in Series 1 of this document, numbered 1.1 to 1.5. In Series 2, under the “Project Materials” title, consent forms obtained from those interviewed and interview notes are included. Series 3 contains 15 DV tapes numbered DVX00614 to DVX00627 and 4 cassette tapes numbered CTX1070 to CTX1073.

Donation: This collection is a gift of Professor Susan Rose.

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The present Mosaic focuses on the South Asian community in Central Pennsylvania, and is the product of the research and interviews conducted by students as part of three integrated courses taught by professors O’Brien, Rose, and Staub in the spring of 2009. The project attempted to understand the diverse group of relatively recent South Asian (im)migrants and the ways in which they contribute to American society and U.S. pluralism, by combining field work and oral history with the study of South Asian history, culture, and immigration to the United States. Both the common ground and the diversity of the immigrants were examined. We defined “South Asia” as India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh.

Focusing on the construction of identities in local and global contexts, the researchers explored family, work, and migration narratives; intergenerational relationships and dynamics, religion and inter-group relations; and community building. They used historical, sociological, and ethnographic texts as well as literature, memoir, and film. The students conducted field work in the South Asian communities of Central Pennsylvania.
COLLECTION INVENTORY

SERIES 1 – INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPTS

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INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPTS:

1.1 Ashok and Shukla, Maya, interviewed by Ashley Peel, 3/25/09

1.2 Gupta, Deep, interviewed by Andrew Bettercont, Maya Courtney and Alex Young, 3/10/2003

1.3 Jasani, Kanti and Jasani, Hansa, interviewed by Lia Choyce

1.4 Kularni, Mukund, interviewed by Professors Rose and Staub, transcribed by Ashley Peel, 4/16/2009

1.5 Joshi, Renu and Joshi, Nirmal, interviewed by Kesang Nepali, 4/2/2009

SERIES 2 – GENERAL PAPERS

SERIES INVENTORY

PROJECT MATERIALS

2.1 Consent forms

2.2 Interview notes
SERIES 3 – MEDIA

SERIES INVENTORY

DVX00614: Amita – 04/23/09
DVX00615: Amita, Taras – 04/23/09
DVX00616: Ashok – 03/25/09
DVX00617: Joshi – 04/12/09, Part 1 of 2
DVX00618: Joshi – 04/12/09, Part 2 of 2
DVX00619: Mukund – 04/16/09, Part 1 of 2
DVX00620: Mukund – 04/16/09, Part 2 of 2
DVX00621: Patel, Sagar – 04/27/09
DVX00622: Sahi, Bhipinder – 02/26/09, Part 1
DVX00623: Sahi, Bhipinder – 02/26/09, Part 2
DVX00624: Sahi, Bhipinder – 03/31/09, Part 1
DVX00625: Shukla, Ashkok – 02/12/09, Part 1
DVX00626: Shukla, Ashkok – 02/12/09, Part 2
DVX00627: Shukla, Ashkok and Maya – 03/25/09, Part 1
DVX00628: Shukla, Ashkok and Maya – 03/25/09, Part 2
AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES

CTX1070   Jasani, Kanti and Jasani, Hansa
CTX1071   Kularni, Mukund – 4/16/09
CTX1072   Sahi, Bhipinder – 02/26/09, Parts 1 & 2
CTX1073   Shukla, Ashok and Maya - 03/25/09

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