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Guide to the National Coué Institute records ca. 1922-1944 MssCol 2102

## Summary

Creator: National Coué Institute

Title: National Coué Institute records

Date: ca. 1922-1944

Size: .3 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Gift, Gavert, Olive Lyford, 1971

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### **Creator History**

The National Coué Institute was founded in 1922 in New York City to further the ideas of Emile Coué (1857-1926), the French originator of Couéism, a psychotherapeutic system based on hypnosis and autosuggestion. Coué and his system were brought to the U.S. by Oliver S. Lyford, an engineer and industrialist. Couéism was popular in the U.S. in the 1910s and 1920s.

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# **Key Terms**

Subjects Hypnotism Mental suggestion -- Study and teaching

**Genre/Physical Characteristic** Photographic prints

#### Names

National Coué Institute Coue\_, E\_mile, 1857-1926 Lyford, Oliver S., 1870-1952