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## Summary

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*span class="emph">Schomburg Art and Artifacts Division:/span>*

Greeting cards and news clipping re Tom Feelings; news clippings re Romare Bearden; invitation for Ademola Olugebefola and Humbert Howard

*span class="emph">Schomburg Photographs and Print Division:/span>*

15 negatives, 11 copy prints, and 16 original photographs of the Pleasants family

## **Creator History**

Olivia Pleasants Frost, sociologist, educator, administrator and research consultant for educational, social service and community-based organizations, was born in 1915 in New Jersey and raised in Washington, D.C. and New York City. She received her bachelor's degree in 1936 from Hunter College, City University of New York, and in 1951 obtained her master of arts degree in sociology from Columbia University. She later undertook doctoral studies at the School of Education of New York University and was awarded the Ph.D. in 1972.

In her professional career, Dr. Frost held numerous positions with governmental, educational, social service and civil rights organizations primarily in their research departments. Her research and program specialities were in the areas of housing discrimination, education and training of black youth, employment and labor, day care, and multi-problem families. Her responsibilities often included program development and evaluation.

At the start of her career, during the late 1930s and early 1940s, Dr. Frost worked for several governmental agencies preparing reports on labor supply, national income, and wages for unionized workers. From 1945-1949, she served as the Research Secretary for the New York Urban League (NYUL), where she investigated and prepared reports on black life in Queens and Harlem for its black residents, as well as on day care facilities, housing and education. In 1965 she returned to the NYUL, this time as the Director of Research. Among her responsibilities in the latter position was the development of studies which were to be used as the basis for NYUL programs and to coordinate research activities with program activities.

From 1950 to 1956 Frost was the Director of Research for the Harlem Mortgage and Improvement Council and worked with the chairman/founder, George T. Davis, who was one of the forces behind the development of the residential complex at 345 West 145 Street built by the Bowery Bank. At HMIC one of her projects involved the investigation of the realty investment market in Harlem and the policies of savings banks towards making loans in that community, which was also the subject of her master's thesis. During the 1950s she also worked for the volunteer organization, Committee on Civil Rights in East Manhattan, which focussed on relieving discrimination in housing and restaurant services.

In 1962 through 1963, Dr. Frost was employed as a Research Associate for the Community Council of Greater New York, supervising a study of unmarried mothers who kept their first child. From there, Dr. Frost moved to HARYOU (Harlem Youth Opportunities Unlimited) where she was Senior Research Associate (1963-1964). Her responsibilities in that capacity included writing two chapters on demographic patterns and employment for the research document, "Youth in the Ghetto." In addition, she worked for HARYOU-ACT as Associate Research Director for six months (June-December 1964). As the Director of Research and Program Evaluation for Bedford-Stuyvesant Youth in Action (1965-1968), Frost compiled and analyzed data describing activities sponsored by the organization, including a training program entitled, "A Light is Shining in the Ghetto."

Frost developed her own consulting business, the Olivia Frost Research Associates (OFRA), in the late 1960s. The firm provided technical assistance to community-based organizations serving minority groups, and specialized in survey research, program planning and evaluation. Among the firm's clients were the Council on Interracial Books, National Council of Negro Women, and the Young Men's Christian Association, Harlem Branch. Frost also worked as a consultant for two Columbia University programs: the Columbia University Center for Community Education at Teacher's College, 1971; and the Columbia University School of Library Science, where she evaluated the master's degree library media program, 1973-1974. As a research consultant from 1973 to 1974 for the Metropolitan Applied Research Center which was founded and directed by Kenneth and Mamie Clarke, Frost assisted in developing the research design which was submitted to the Manpower Administration of the Department of Labor under the title "Adolescent Minority Females in an Urban Labor Market," 1973.

Although the head of her own consultant firm, Frost continued to hold staff positions with other organizations. In 1968, she became the Research Associate for the Development and Training Center for the Distributive Trades of District 65, the retail, wholesale and department store union. In this position, she administered psychological and other tests to trainees in the program. From 1971-1977, Dr. Frost was associated with the City University of New York, primarily working with the SEEK (Search for Excellence in Education and Knowledge) Program. She was hired as a consultant at City College in 1971 and developed plans for evaluative procedures for counselors in the SEEK Program. At SEEK Central, she was employed from 1972-1975 as Director of Program Development and coordinated efforts for the development of procedures for assessing the SEEK program at the ten senior colleges. In 1975 she assumed the position of Associate Professor at Medgar Evers College in the Office of Institutional Research. Her responsibilities were to coordinate all research efforts, college-wide. Frost was not reappointed to this position in 1977 and subsequently joined in a class action suit against the City University of New York (*Melani et al v. the Board of Higher Education of the City University of New York*) which charged the university with discrimination against women.

Frost has been an active member of the community most of her adult life. She has served on several boards, committees or been a member of many New York City civic and professional organizations, principally those impacting on the lives of black people. Some of the organizations to which she gave her support include the Coalition of 100 Black Women, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, National Urban League, New York City Association of Social Workers, National Association of Black Social Workers, Association of Black Women in Higher Education, Queensboro Tuberculosis and Health Association, and the Schomburg Corporation.

Olivia Frost was married to Charles Frost and has three children, Carolyn Olivia, James Williams and Charles S., Jr.

## **Scope and Content Note**

The Olivia Pleasants Frost Papers, 1937-1994, provide information on Dr. Frost's career as a research consultant to numerous social organizations and educational institutions. The collection does not consist of the records of the organizations for which she worked, but rather documents her work and role with these organizations. The reports, articles and papers she wrote have been placed with the organizations for which they were created. Her master's thesis and doctoral dissertation and research leading to the latter are included.

**Arrangement:** The collection is divided into the following series and subseries: Personal Papers,

1937-1994 Box 1 Professional Employment & Affiliations Box 2 Consultancies Box 10 Organizations,  
1949-1986 Box 12 Education Box 13 Subject Files, 1950-1979 Box 15

## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

African American children  
African American families -- New York (State) -- New York  
African American sociologists  
African American teenage girls -- New York (State) -- New York  
African American teenage mothers -- New York (State) -- New York  
African American teenagers -- New York (State) -- New York  
African American women -- New York (State) -- New York  
African American youth -- New York (State) -- New York  
African Americans -- Education  
African Americans -- Education -- New York (State) -- New York  
African Americans -- Employment  
African Americans -- Housing -- New York (State) -- New York  
African Americans -- Mental health  
African Americans -- Professional education  
African Americans -- Psychology  
African Americans -- Research  
African Americans -- Social conditions  
African Americans -- Social conditions -- 1964-1975  
African Americans -- Social conditions -- To 1964  
African Americans -- Study and teaching -- New York (State) -- New York  
African Americans in the professions -- New York (State) -- New York  
Occupational training -- New York (State) -- New York  
Race discrimination -- New York (State) -- New York  
Real estate business -- New York (State) -- New York  
Social work with African American children -- New York (State) -- New York  
Universities and colleges -- Admissions  
Unmarried mothers -- New York (State) -- New York  
Youth -- Employment -- New York (State) -- New York  
Youth -- Mental health services -- New York (State) -- New York  
Youth -- Research -- New York (State) -- New York  
Youth -- Services for -- New York (State) -- New York

### **Names**

Frost, Olivia P. (Olivia Pleasants), 1915-  
Bedford-Stuyvesant Youth in Action, Inc  
City University of New York. Search for Education, Elevation and Knowledge  
Committee on Civil Rights in East Manhattan, Inc  
Harlem Mortgage and Improvement Council  
HARYOU-ACT (Organization)  
Metropolitan Applied Research Center  
New York City Youth Board  
New York Urban League  
Olivia Frost Research Associates, Inc

## Container List

### Personal Papers

The *PERSONAL PAPERS* series, 1937-1994 (.4 lin. ft.) consists primarily of autobiographical information Frost prepared for various purposes such as resumes and letters concerning employment (mainly 1972-1983). In addition, the series contains family papers and certificates.

- b. 1 f. 1 r. Personal Papers
- b. 1 f. 2 r. Family Papers
- b. 1 f. 3 r. Certificates
- b. 1 f. 4 r. Biographical Information
- b. 1 f. 5 r. Resumes
- b. 1 f. 6 r. Resume Preparation
- Letters - Employment
- b. 1 f. 7 r. 1941-1957, 1974
- b. 1 f. 8 r. 1972-1976
- b. 1 f. 9 r. 1977
- b. 1 f. 10 r. 1979
- b. 1 f. 11 r. 1978-1980
- b. 1 f. 12 r. 1979-1983
- b. 1 f. 13 r. Politicians Frost Supported 1970-1977

### Professional Employment And Affiliations

The *PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS* series (3 lin.ft.) is the largest, spanning the years 1937-1988 and covers nearly every position Frost held during her career. The first five positions represented in the collection were with government agencies and contain some personnel documents. In two cases, the National Research Project and the U.S. Department of Commerce files, examples of reports and studies she prepared are also included.

- b. 2 f. 1 r. National Research Project 1937-1941
- b. 2 f. 2 r. New York State Department of Labor Division of Placement and Unemployment Insurance 1941
- b. 2 f. 3 r. National Bureau of Economic Research 1942
- b. 2 f. 4 r. United States Department of Commerce
- b. 2 f. 5 r. National War Labor Board - Wage Stabilization Division 1943
- New York Urban League

The files for the New York Urban League, 1939-1966, 1993 covering the two separate periods Frost worked for the NYUL include several reports she wrote about blacks living in Harlem and Queens, the need for day care and psychiatric facilities for blacks, the housing market, and an unwed mothers program. There is also a study defining the mission of the NYUL research department, administrative papers such as minutes, annual reports and summaries of activities for the research department.

- b. 2 f. 6 r. Personnel 1939-1979
- b. 2 f. 7 r. Minutes 1947, 1965
- b. 2 f. 8 r. Correspondence 1958-1993
- b. 2 f. 9 r. "The Role and Mission of the Research Department in the New York Urban League," 1964
- b. 2 f. 10 r. Planned Programs 1965-1966
- b. 2 f. 11 r. Annual Reports 1946, 1964-1965

Professional Employment And Affiliations (cont.)  
New York Urban League (cont.)

- b. 2 f. 12 r. Research Department - Summaries of Activities 1946-1948, 1965
- b. 2 f. 13 r. Staff Report 1947
- Reports
- b. 3 f. 1 r. "Negro Students Attending Medical School in the United States 1945 School Year," ca. 1946
- b. 3 f. 2 r. "An Analysis of the Characteristics of the Population in Central Harlem," Report 1946
- b. 3 f. 3 r. "Aspects of Negro Life in the Borough of Queens," 1947
- b. 3 f. 4 r. "A Study of Psychiatric Personnel and Facilities, and Opportunities for Training in Psychiatry Available to the Negro in the United States," 1947
- b. 3 f. 5 r. "There is a Need for a State University" - Report 1947
- b. 3 f. 6 r. "Daycare Facilities Accessible to Negro Children in Central Harlem, and Upper Riverside - Lower Washington Heights," 1948
- b. 3 f. 7 r. City Services in Congested Areas 1948
- b. 3 f. 8 r. "An Untapped Housing Market," Program Direction Conference 1948
- b. 3 f. 9-10 r. "Working Papers," May 1948
- b. 3 f. 11 r. Highlights
- b. 3 f. 12 r. "A Guide to Community Action for the Local Church Committee of the Bronx Borough" - Report 1949
- b. 3 f. 13 r. Educational Issues 1962-1966
- b. 3 f. 14 r. Unwed Mother's Program 1965
- b. 3 f. 15 r. Economic Improvement - Report 1965
- b. 3 f. 16 r. "An Over View of the Economic and Social Situation of the Negro in New York City"
- b. 3 f. 17 r. Miscellaneous Notes n.d.
- b. 3 f. 18 r. Newsclippings 1946-1951

Harlem Mortgage and Improvement Council

The Harlem Mortgage and Improvement Council files, 1950-1957, include two of Frost's reports, "Harlem: A Neglected Investment Opportunity" and "Some Sociological Aspects of The Realty Investment Market in New York's Harlem," which was also the topic of her master's thesis for Columbia University. There are also drafts of her articles, notes, news clippings, and reports prepared by other researchers.

- b. 4 f. 1 r. Correspondence, Annual Plan, Lists, etc. 1950-1962
- b. 4 f. 2 r. "Harlem: A Neglected Investment Opportunity" - Report 1951
- b. 4 f. 3 r. "Some Sociological Aspects of the Realty Investment Market in New York's Harlem" - Report 1951
- b. 4 f. 4 r. Reports 1952-1977
- b. 4 f. 5 r. Annual Dinner Programs 1951-1957
- b. 4 f. 6-7 r. Drafts of Articles, Notes
- b. 4 f. 8-9 r. Newsclippings

Committee on Civil Rights in East Manhattan

The files for the Committee on Civil Rights in East Manhattan, 1951-1978, 1993, relate primarily to two surveys which were designed to assess progress in the area of discrimination against blacks in restaurants and rental apartments on the eastside of Manhattan during the 1950s and '60s. Documents include discussions of the methodology to be used in conducting the surveys, Frost's article about CCREM, newsletters and other printed matter.

Professional Employment And Affiliations (cont.)  
Committee on Civil Rights in East Manhattan (cont.)

- b. 5 f. 1 r. Statement of Purpose, General Information
- b. 5 f. 2 r. Correspondence 1955-1973, 1993
- b. 5 f. 3 r. Restaurant Survey 1951-1959
- Housing Issues
- b. 5 f. 4 r. 1955
- b. 5 f. 5 r. 1956-1966
- b. 5 f. 6 r. Tributes to Edna Merson, Founder of CCREM - Obituary
- b. 5 f. 7 r. "CCREM-Grass Roots in the Big City," 1958
- "Scoreboard" - Newsletter
- b. 5 f. 8 r. 1955-1958
- b. 5 f. 9 r. 1959-1966
- b. 5 f. 10 r. Printed Matter 1956-1978

New York City Youth Board

Frost's main contribution to the New York City Youth Board, 1956-1962, as represented in the collection, are her reports on the multi-problem family. Research proposals and case studies round out this file.

- b. 6 f. 1 r. Personnel, Correspondence 1956-1961
- b. 6 f. 2 r. "A Study of Some of the Characteristics of 150 Multi-Problem Families," 1957
- b. 6 f. 3 r. Research Proposal and Plan for Study of Multi-Problem Family 1957
- b. 6 f. 4 r. Correspondence 1958-1960
- b. 6 f. 5 r. Case Studies of Six Families 1959
- (Restricted until 2084)*
- The Multi-Problem Family Research Project
- b. 6 f. 6 r. Progress Report on the Work of the Trained Social Worker," 1959
- b. 6 f. 7 r. The Work of an Experienced Social Worker Without Professional Training - Draft 1960
- b. 6 f. 8 r. "The Experience of a Professionally Untrained Worker" 1961
- b. 6 f. 9 r. Research Proposal for Interdepartmental Neighborhood Service Center
- b. 6 f. 10 r. "An Experiment in Predicting Juvenile Delinquency," 1961-1962
- b. 6 f. 11 r. Proposal to U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare 1962
- b. 6 f. 12 r. Research Proposal for Bronx Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children n.d.
- b. 6 f. 13 r. "Plan for the Demonstration Project of the A.C. Powell Community Program for the Youth of Harlem" n.d.
- b. 6 f. 14 r. Newsletters, Articles, Newsclippings 1959-1961
- b. 6 f. 15 r. Community Council of Greater New York 1962-1965

Professional Employment And Affiliations (cont.)

Harlem Youth Opportunities Unlimited

Included in the HARYOU and HARYOU-ACT files, 1962-1966, 1979, are reports and memoranda Frost prepared as a research associate for HARYOU, HARYOU-ACT and the HARYOU-ACT Community Corporation, and correspondence. Also filed there is Frost's draft of the "1970 Master Plan Strategy for Program Development for the Central Harlem Community" which was done for the HARYOU-ACT Community Corporation, and a speech she made in 1979 about the youth training program she developed for HARYOU, which was presented in "Youth in the Ghetto." The two chapters she wrote for the report can be found in the file. There is also information (memos and newspaper clippings) about HARYOU's effectiveness and the controversy that surrounded the program during the late 1960s.

- b. 7 f. 1 r. HARYOU 1962-1964
- b. 7 f. 2 r. HARYOU-ACT 1964-1967
- b. 7 f. 3 r. "Youth in The Ghetto," 1964, 1979
- b. 7 f. 4 r. "The Neighborhood Board Proposal for Community and Social Development" - Report 1965

HARYOU-ACT Community Corporation

- b. 7 f. 5 r. 1969-1974
- b. 7 f. 6 r. Master Plan Strategy for Program Development for the Central Harlem Community 1970

Bedford-Stuyvesant Youth in Action

The Bedford-Stuyvesant Youth in Action files, 1965-1970, contain programs and reports concerning the research aide training program, "A Light is Shining in the Ghetto," Frost was associated with. Additionally, there is an evaluation of a Headstart program, summer program reports, a senior citizen survey, a young mothers program report, a proposal and evaluation for a Youth Leadership Institute, program and statistical reports, a skill training questionnaire, memoranda and notes.

- b. 8 f. 1 r. Memorandum and Letter 1965
- b. 8 f. 2 r. Correspondence, Program, Speech 1966
- b. 8 f. 3 r. "A Light is Shining in the Ghetto"
- b. 8 f. 3 r. Research Aide Training Program
- b. 8 f. 4-5 r. 1966
- b. 8 f. 6 r. Evaluation of Summer Headstart Program 1966
- b. 8 f. 7 r. Summer Program Reports 1966
- b. 8 f. 8 r. Senior Citizen Survey 1966
- b. 9 f. 1 r. Young Mothers Program - Reports 1966
- b. 9 f. 2 r. Evaluations, Studies, Newspaper clippings 1966
- b. 9 f. 3 r. Memoranda and Correspondence 1967
- b. 9 f. 4 r. Youth Leadership Institute 1967
- b. 9 f. 5 r. Program and Statistical Reports, January-November 1967
- b. 9 f. 6 r. Statistical Summary of Program Activities December, 1967
- b. 9 f. 7 r. Reports, Printed Material 1967
- b. 9 f. 8 r. Reports 1967
- b. 9 f. 9 r. Reports, Notes, and Invitations 1968
- b. 9 f. 10 r. Consultation and Review, by D.S.W., Inc. 1967
- b. 9 f. 11 r. Memoranda, Notes 1968
- b. 9 f. 12 r. Skill Training Questionnaire 1968
- b. 9 f. 13 r. Evaluation of Youth Leadership Institute 1968



Professional Employment And Affiliations (cont.)  
Bedford-Stuyvesant Youth in Action (cont.)

b. 9 f. 14 r. Notes 1968

b. 9 f. 15 r. 1969

b. 9 f. 16 r. 1970

b. 9 f. 17 r. Printed Matter n.d.

District 65, Development and Training Center for the Distributive Trades

b. 9 f. 18 r. Report 1968

b. 9 f. 19 r. Notes and Correspondence 1968

b. 9 f. 20 r. Student Manual 1968

City University of New York

The City University of New York files, 1972-1985, include some of her reports and memoranda regarding the SEEK Program. The Medgar Evers College material pertains to Frost's non-reappointment and consists primarily of letters she wrote soliciting support from CUNY professors and administrators and from politicians. There are also materials related to the class action suit, *Melani et al v. The Board of Higher Education of the City University of New York*, concerning the employment of women within the CUNY system.

City College

b. 10 f. 1 r. 1972

City University of New York, SEEK Program

b. 10 f. 2 r. 1972-1975

Medgar Evers College

b. 10 f. 3 r. 1975

Non-Reappointment

b. 10 f. 4 r. January-April

b. 10 f. 5 r. May 1977-March 1978

b. 10 f. 6 r. Class Action Suit 1978, 1984-1985

Consultancies

*Consultancies, 1967-1988 (.6 lin. ft.).* This subseries includes information on Olivia Frost Research Associates (OFRA) and other consultancies undertaken by Frost during this period. The OFRA files, 1969-1981, consists of research proposals, reports, correspondence, bills and related material for work performed by the consulting firm. Some of OFRA's clients represented in the collection include Council on Interracial Books, National Council of Negro Women and Young Men's Christian Association, Harlem Branch.

Columbia University, Teachers College Center for Community Education

The Columbia University files, 1967-1975, include a report and associated material for an evaluation Frost prepared for the Center for Community Education at Teacher's College, as well as a second evaluation she wrote for the Community Media Librarian Program of the School of Library Science. Both programs were geared to being more responsive to community needs.

b. 10 f. 7 r. Education Report 1971

b. 10 f. 8 r. 1967-1973

b. 10 f. 9 r. 1968-1971

b. 10 f. 10 r. 1971

Metropolitan Applied Research Center Adolescent Minority Females in an Urban Labor Market

Files for the Metropolitan Applied Research Center, 1970-1974, relate to a research project headed by Mamie Clark and Hylan Lewis, "Adolescent Minority Females in an Urban Labor Market," which Frost participated in. The material includes correspondence, memoranda, progress reports, and drafts.

Professional Employment And Affiliations (cont.)

Consultancies (cont.)

Metropolitan Applied Research Center Adolescent Minority Females in an Urban Labor Market (cont.)

- b. 10 f. 11 r. 1970-1973
- b. 10 f. 12 r. 1974
- Columbia University School of Library Science - Evaluation of Community Media Librarian Program
- b. 10 f. 13 r. 1973-1975
- b. 10 f. 14 r. Final Report 1973-1974
- Olivia Frost Research Associates
- b. 11 f. 1 r. 1969-1976
- b. 11 f. 2 r. 1979
- b. 11 f. 3 r. Brookdale Hospital Center 1967-1971
- b. 11 f. 4 r. Medical and Health Research Association of New York City 1970
- b. 11 f. 5 r. Post Operational Evaluation of Fordham University Pilot TTT Project 1970
- b. 11 f. 6 r. Atlanta Model Cities Program 1971
- b. 11 f. 7 r. Social Dimensional Associates, Inc. 1972-1973
- b. 11 f. 8 r. City College, CUNY - Program Impact 1974
- b. 11 f. 9 r. Council on Interracial Books for Children 1978
- b. 11 f. 10 r. National Council of Negro Women, Young Men's Christian Association - Harlem Branch 1979
- b. 11 f. 11 r. 1968-1979
- b. 11 f. 12 r. 1980, 1982
- b. 11 f. 13 r. Program Management Support Systems, Inc. 1980
- b. 11 f. 14 r. American Foundation for the Blind 1980
- b. 11 f. 15 r. City College, CUNY - Pre-Freshman Summer Program 1984
- College of New Rochelle
- b. 11 f. 16-19 r. "Research Methods in Family History," 1987
- b. 12 f. 1 r. 1987
- b. 12 f. 2-3 r. "Structures of the City," 1988

Organizations

The *ORGANIZATION series, 1949-1986 (.3 lin. ft.)*, reflects Frost's interests as an active community member and professional. Material in this series includes correspondence, proposals reports and memoranda. Letters in the National Urban League files note her relationships with leaders within that organization including Lester Granger, Arnold T. Hill, director of research of the League, and Whitney Young. Files for the Career Center for Social Services of the Social Work Recruiting Center show Frost's role on the advisory committee to recruit black students to the field of social work.

- b. 12 f. 4 r. Coalition of 100 Black Women 1977
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- b. 12 f. 5 r. Jamaica Branch 1952-1960
- b. 12 f. 6 r. Mid-Manhattan Branch Education Committee 1981-1986
- b. 12 f. 7-9 r. Mid-Manhattan Branch Education Committee - Essay Contest 1985
- b. 12 f. 10 r. National Urban League 1968
- b. 12 f. 11 r. New York City Association of Black Social Workers 1983
- b. 12 f. 12 r. New York City Board of Education - Operation Reclaim 1966-1974
- b. 12 f. 13 r. New York State Women's Business Enterprise Study 1985

Organizations (cont.)

- b. 12 f. 14 r. Queensboro Tuberculosis and Health Association 1949-1955
- b. 12 f. 15 r. Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture 1980
- b. 12 f. 16 r. Schomburg Commission for the Preservation of Black Culture 1987
- b. 12 f. 17 r. Schomburg Corporation 1988  
Social Work Recruiting Center (Career Center for Social Services) - Grant  
Proposal for Graduate Education for Minority Students
- b. 12 f. 18 r. 1966
- b. 12 f. 19 r. 1967
- b. 12 f. 20 r. 1967-1973
- b. 12 f. 21 r. Urban and Rural Systems Associates 1979
- b. 12 f. 22 r. Women United for Civic Action 1958
- b. 12 f. 23 r. Women's City Club of New York 1967

Education

The *EDUCATION series*, 1960-1977, (.6 lin. ft.) consists of files for her Columbia University Master's thesis, 1951, "Some Sociological Aspects of the Realty Market in New York's Harlem," and for her dissertation from New York University, 1960-1978. The latter files consists of transcripts, papers submitted for coursework and incomplete drafts of her dissertation, "A Study of the Effect of Training Upon the Level of Occupational Aspirations and Upon Attitudes Toward Work for a Group of Young Negro Men from Low Income Families," as well as interviews and preparatory material used in writing her dissertation. There is also administrative material regarding a grant she secured from the Manpower Administration, Department of Labor to fund her work on the dissertation.

- b. 13 f. 1 r. Columbia University - Master's Thesis "Some Sociological Aspects of the Realty Investment Market in New York's Harlem," 1951  
New York University

- b. 13 f. 2 r. Transcripts 1960-1971
- b. 13 f. 3 r. "A Planned Project To Establish a Parent-Teachers Association at Livingston School" 1960-1961

Papers

- b. 13 f. 4 r. 1960-1963
- b. 13 f. 5 r. 1968-1969
- b. 13 f. 6 r. Department of Educational Sociology and Anthropology - Administration  
1968

Dissertation

- b. 14 f. 1-4 r. "A Study of the Effect of Training Upon the Level of Occupational Aspirations and Upon Attitudes Toward Work for a Group of Young Negro Men from Low Income Families" - Draft 1972
- b. 14 f. 5-6 r. Preparatory Material 1959-1972  
Grant from Manpower Administration - Department of Labor
- b. 14 f. 7 r. 1969-1971
- b. 14 f. 8 r. 1970-1971
- b. 14 f. 9 r. 1972-1975
- b. 14 f. 10 r. Completion 1970-1977
- b. 14 f. 11 r. "The Effect of Training Upon Occupational Aspirations," - Article 1975

## Subject Files

The *SUBJECT FILES series, 1950-1979 (.2 lin. ft.)* reflects two of Frost's research interests - discrimination in housing in New York City and upgrading education for African-American students in New York City. Copies of her speeches and conference participation are included in this series.

### Discrimination in Housing in New York City

b. 15 f. 1 r. 1954-1959

b. 15 f. 2 r. 1976-1978

### Education in New York City

b. 15 f. 3 r. 1950-1955

b. 15 f. 4 r. 1955-1966

b. 15 f. 5 r. W.E.B. Dubois, Frederick Douglas 1971-1975

b. 15 f. 6 r. Speeches, Conferences 1969-1979