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# Wenona Giles fonds

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## Summary information

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**Repository:** York University Archives & Special Collections (CTASC)

**Title:** Wenona Giles fonds

**ID:** F0713

**Date:** 1975-2004, predominant 1982-1995 (date of creation)

**Physical description:** 0.78 m of textual records  
5 computer disks : 9 x 9 cm  
4 photographs : b&w ; 10 x 16.5 cm

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Dr. Wenona Giles is a professor of Anthropology and Faculty Research Associate at the Centre for Refugee Studies at York University. She received a diploma from L'université d'Aix-Marseille in 1970 and a bachelors degree from the University of Santa Clara in 1971. She earned a degree in education from the University of British Columbia and completed her academic studies in anthropology, achieving a master's degree in 1980 and a doctorate from the University of Toronto in 1987.

Giles is an author and contributing editor of several books on gender, migration, and refugees. Her titles include: *Maid in the Market: Women's Paid Domestic Labour* (Halifax: Fernwood Press, 1994); *Portuguese Women in Toronto: Gender, Immigration, and Nationalism* (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2002); and *Refugees in Extended Exile: Living on the Edge* (Abingdon-on-Thames: Routledge, 2016). Giles' research in the 1980s and 1990s focused on the experiences of Portuguese migrant women working in London, England, and Toronto, Canada. Since the late 1990s and 2000s, Giles' research projects focused on the impact of conflict in regions such as Sri Lanka and the Balkans, the intersection between gender and forced migration, and the issue of higher education opportunities for long-term refugees and displaced people.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of research material created and collected by Wenona Giles as part of her anthropological studies of Portuguese migrant women in London, United Kingdom, and Toronto, Canada. Fonds includes, field notes, interview transcripts, questionnaires, reports and other collected research material.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Restrictions on access

Several files are restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
  - **Level of detail:** Full
  - **Status description:** Final
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## Access points

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- Portugal -- Emigration and immigration (subject)
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## Collection holdings

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### **File: F0713-2017-035/001(1) - Field notes, organized by subject**

Title: Field notes, organized by subject

ID: F0713-2017-035/001(1)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of index cards, typed and handwritten, on which Wenona Giles transposed her field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England. The notes are organized by topic, (i.e. children, church, immigration, religion, politics, and unions).

Physical description: 1 box of textual records : 11 x 15 x 12 cm

Restrictions on access:

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**File: F0713-2017-035/002(1) - Field notes, organized by subject**

Title: Field notes, organized by subject

ID: F0713-2017-035/002(1)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of index cards, typed and handwritten, on which Wenona Giles transposed her field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England. The notes are organized by topic, (i.e. children, church, immigration, religion, politics, and unions).

Physical description: 1 box of textual records : 11 x 15 x 12 cm

Restrictions on access:

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**File: F0713-2017-035/003(1) - Field notes, organized by subject**

Title: Field notes, organized by subject

ID: F0713-2017-035/003(1)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of index cards, typed and handwritten, on which Wenona Giles transposed her field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England. The notes are organized by topic, (i.e. children, church, immigration, religion, politics, and unions).

Physical description: 1 box of textual records : 11 x 15 x 12 cm

Restrictions on access:

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**File: F0713-2017-035/003(2) - Toronto Portuguese : interviews**

Title: Toronto Portuguese : interviews

ID: F0713-2017-035/003(2)

Date: 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of computer disks containing transcripts of interviews conducted by Wenona Giles on Portuguese migrant women, and some men, living in Toronto, Canada.

Physical description: 5 computer disks : 9 x 9 cm

Alternative form available:

Contents of computer disks have been migrated onto the York University Libraries server.

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(1) - Field notes : notebooks**

Title: Field notes : notebooks

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(1)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a notebook of field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(2) - Field notes : notebooks**

Title: Field notes : notebooks

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(2)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a notebook of field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(3) - Field notes, organized by name**

Title: Field notes, organized by name

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(3)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of typewritten notes on which Wenona Giles transposed her field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England. The notes are organized by name.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(4) - Field notes, organized by name**

Title: Field notes, organized by name

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(4)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of typewritten notes on which Wenona Giles transposed her field notes from interviewing Portuguese migrants (primarily women) living in London, England. The notes are organized by name.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(5) - Luta Comum photocopies**



Title: Luta Comum photocopies

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(5)

Date: 1975-1978 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of photocopied pages from the Portuguese-language newspaper, "Luta Comum : boletim dos trabalhadores Portugueses em Inglaterra" [Common Struggle: Bulletin of Portuguese workers in England].

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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### **File: F0713-2017-035/004(6) - Household survey**

Title: Household survey

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(6)

Date: 1983 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of information collected by Wenona Giles on Portuguese migrant households in London, England, for her anthropological study.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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### **File: F0713-2017-035/004(7) - Photographs : Ladbroke Grove**

Title: Photographs : Ladbroke Grove

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(7)

Date: ca. 1983 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of photographs showing the interior and exterior of a home on Ladbroke Grove, West London.

Physical description: 4 photographs : b&w ; 10 x 16.5 cm

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(8) - Completed questionnaires**

Title: Completed questionnaires

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(8)

Date: 1983 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of questionnaires distributed by Wenona Giles for her anthropological study of Portuguese migrants living in London, England.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Restrictions on access:

File is restricted to protect third party privacy. Access may be granted to researchers following a York University ethical review process and completion of a Researcher Agreement.

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(9) - Newspaper clippings**

Title: Newspaper clippings

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(9)

Date: 1990-1992 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(10) - Misc. research material**

Title: Misc. research material

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(10)

Date: 1982-1983 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of: the work schedule and description of job duties of a domestic assistant at Hammersmith Hospital; a paper titled, "Linguistic Minority Children in British Schools," presented by Marilyn Martin-Jones of the University of London, at Freie Universitat Berlin, 4 January 1982; an annual report for the North Kensington Law Centre, 1982; a strike announcement from the General Municipal Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union, undated; and handwritten notes on demographics of the Portuguese community in London.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/004(11) - DVD : Plenary sessions and workshops : 8th Conference of the International Society for Ethnology and Folklore**

Title: DVD : Plenary sessions and workshops : 8th Conference of the International Society for Ethnology and Folklore

ID: F0713-2017-035/004(11)

Date: 2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a digital copy of the papers presented during the plenary sessions and workshops of a conference titled, "Among Others: Encounters and Conflicts in Europe and Mediterranean Societies, held by Musée des Civilisations de l'Europe et de la Méditerranée in Marseille, 26-30 April.

Physical description: 1 DVD

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(1) - M.A. thesis : "The school and immigration histories of women from the island of São Miguel region of Portugal ; by Maria Margarida Aguiar**

Title: M.A. thesis : "The school and immigration histories of women from the island of São Miguel region of Portugal ; by Maria Margarida Aguiar

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(1)

Date: 1994 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a masters thesis submitted by Maria Margarida Aguiar of the Department of Education, University of Toronto.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(2) - Collection Études et Recherches no.10 : les jeunes d'origine immigrée**

Title: Collection Études et Recherches no.10 : les jeunes d'origine immigrée

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(2)

Date: 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of an issue of the journal, Collection Études et Recherches, titled, "Les jeunes d'origine immigrée: rapports familiaux et les transitions de vie -- le cas des jeunes chiliens, grecs, portugais, salvadoriens, et vietnamiens."

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Language of the material:

French

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(3) - M.A. thesis : Azorean Portuguese women in London, Ontario ; by Lucia Beatriz Barros Grosner**

Title: M.A. thesis : Azorean Portuguese women in London, Ontario ; by Lucia Beatriz Barros Grosner

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(3)

Date: 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a masters thesis submitted by Lucia Beatriz Barros Grosner of the Department of Anthropology, the University of Western Ontario.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(4) - A bibliography of theses and dissertations on Portuguese topics completed in the US + Canada ; N. Ernest Kettenring**

Title: A bibliography of theses and dissertations on Portuguese topics completed in the US + Canada ; N. Ernest Kettenring

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(4)

Date: 1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a bibliography of theses and dissertations on Portuguese topics published in Canada and the United States between 1861 and 1983

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(5) - The needs of immigrant women : report submitted by the CCM Committee on Immigrant Women**

Title: The needs of immigrant women : report submitted by the CCM Committee on Immigrant Women

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(5)

Date: 1979 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a report by the Canadian Consultative Council on Multiculturalism (CCCM) Committee on Immigrant Women, submitted to the Executive of the CCCM.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(6) - Equality in Language and Literacy Training : report of the proceedings of a colloquium on immigrant and visible minority women**

Title: Equality in Language and Literacy Training : report of the proceedings of a colloquium on immigrant and visible minority women

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(6)

Date: 1987 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a report on the proceedings of a colloquium held in Toronto, 20-21 November.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(7) - CIS report : Hardship Hotel**

Title: CIS report : Hardship Hotel

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(7)

Date: 1981 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of Anti-report no. 27, issued by the Counter Information Services/Liz Dronfield and Paul Soto, titled "Hardship Hotel."

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(8) - Portuguese-Canadians : From Sea to Sea : a national needs assessment**

Title: Portuguese-Canadians : From Sea to Sea : a national needs assessment

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(8)

Date: 1998 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of the needs assesment report, "Portuguese Canadians From Sea to Sea: Profile, Issues, and Concerns of the Luso-Canadian Community," written by Fernando Nunes for the Portuguese-Canadian National Congress.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Access points:

- Portuguese-Canadian National Congress (subject)
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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(9) - Working paper on immigrant women : education, training, employment**

Title: Working paper on immigrant women : education, training, employment

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(9)

Date: 1991 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a copy of COSTI-IIAS Immigrant Services' working paper on "Immigrant Women - Education, Training, Employment."

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(10) - Portuguese Interagency Network**

Title: Portuguese Interagency Network

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(10)

Date: 1993-1997 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of material of the Portuguese Interagency Network, including: a submission to Toronto City Council by Ana Costa and Esmeralda Carvalho, 26 June 1997; a deputation to the Municipality of Metro Toronto regarding proposed funding cuts to the Metro Multicultural Grants Program, 13 February 1995; a submission to the Standing Committee on the Administration of Justice regarding employment equity in Ontario and Bill 79, 27 August 1993; meeting minutes and correspondence from the PIN Adult Education/Retraining Committee; a presentation by Ana Costa delivered to the Toronto Hospital's Cross-Cultural Speaker Series, 13 October 1993; a PIN resource list; and a conference report on the Portuguese Canadian National Youth Conference, "It's Time to Inherit the Future, 23-25 May 1997.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(11) - Designing the future for garment workers : a report from the International Ladies' Garment Worker's Union**

Title: Designing the future for garment workers : a report from the International Ladies' Garment Worker's Union

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(11)

Date: 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a report from the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(12) - Results of the 1985 MSSB survey of Portuguese students in Grade 8**

Title: Results of the 1985 MSSB survey of Portuguese students in Grade 8

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(12)

Date: 1985 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of the results of a survey conducted by the Metropolitan Separate School Board.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(13) - Needs assessment report : Portuguese-speaking older women in Metro Toronto : Odete Nascimento**

Title: Needs assessment report : Portuguese-speaking older women in Metro Toronto : Odete Nascimento

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(13)

Date: 1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a needs assessment report on Portuguese Speaking Older Women in Metropolitan Toronto, prepared by Odete Nascimento of the Portuguese Social Service Centre.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/005(14) - Access Alliance : Multicultural Community Health Centre : Multicultural Health Survey Report**

Title: Access Alliance : Multicultural Community Health Centre : Multicultural Health Survey Report

ID: F0713-2017-035/005(14)

Date: 1989 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of a report by Access Alliance and the Multicultural Community Health Centre.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

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**File: F0713-2017-035/006(1) - Bibliographies**

Title: Bibliographies

ID: F0713-2017-035/006(1)

Date: 1983-1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File consists of index cards containing information relevant to Wenona Giles' research and anthropological studies in London, England. The cards include: bibliographies, organized by topic; contact information of colleagues and associations in London, Toronto, and Lisbon; and a list of possible field sites for research.

Physical description: 1 box of textual records : 8 x 13 x 15 cm

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