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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Marshall Durbin papers
Date:	1965-1982
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Creator:	Durbin, Marshall Elza, 1936-1986
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Language:	The collection contains materials in English, Spanish, Athapascan, Carib, and Yucatec Maya.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

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Processing Information

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

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Restrictions

Access to the Marshall Durbin papers requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Biographical Note

Marshall Durbin, Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, Washington, University in St. Louis, Missouri specialized in the study of language, in particular its evolution.

Scope and Contents

This collection documents Marshall Durbin's studies of indigenous languages in North America, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America. It includes book reviews, correspondence, numerous reprints of articles on indigenous languages, speeches, and sound recordings. Of particular interest are the lists of vocabulary terms in Spanish and/or Athapascan, Carib, and Yucatec Maya.

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