

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Helen L. Stewart

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Stewart, Helen L.
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart,
Dates:	December 11, 2019
Bulk Dates:	2019
Physical Description:	8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:01:44).
Abstract:	Management consultant and academic administrator Helen L. Stewart (1943-) was dean of faculty affairs and professor of sociology at Sonoma State University and vice president for academic affairs and provost at Rider University before co-founding and becoming president of the University of Metaphysical Studies. Stewart was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on December 11, 2019, in Honolulu, Hawaii. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2019_139
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Management consultant and academic administrator Helen L. Stewart was born on May 21, 1943 in Lynchburg, Virginia to Lucy Juanita Hampton and James Edward Woodson Stewart. She graduated from Poitiers American High School in Poitiers, France in 1960. Stewart obtained her B.A. degree in sociology in 1965 before earning her M.A. degree in sociology in 1967, both from Boston University. She later received her Ph.D. in sociology from Brandeis University in 1980.

In 1965, Stewart began working as an independent management consultant, arbitrator, mediator, and interpreter. She began studies for her Ph.D. at Brandeis in 1967, the same year that she worked as an instructor at both Emerson College and Boston University. Stewart also taught at Brandeis in 1969 before becoming a French interpreter for the U.S. Department of State, Language Services Division. From 1971 to 1972, Stewart served as a rural sociologist with the United Nations Development Program in West Africa. From 1972 to 1974, she worked as an associate at Community-University Research Associates in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She subsequently taught at Harvard University Extension, Wellesley College, and Brandeis University, earning her Ph.D. in 1980. Stewart joined San Francisco State University in 1981 as associate dean for faculty affairs where she worked until 1988 when she was promoted to dean of faculty affairs and professor of sociology at Sonoma State University in California. In 1990, she became vice president for academic affairs and provost of Rider University in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. In 1999, she was then appointed president of the University of Metaphysical Studies, a position she remained in until 2004. In 2013, Stewart published her book, *Seven Seconds or Less: From Gut Feeling to Bottom Line in Challenging Areas of Business*.

Stewart has affiliations with numerous organizations, including the American Council on Education, Scientific and Medical Network, the Institute of Noetic Sciences, the American Association of University Women, Brandeis Alumni Association of Northern California, Harvard Alumni Associations of Northern California and Honolulu,

the Organization of Women Leaders in Honolulu, and the World Future Society, and is a member of the Phi Beta Delta and Omicron Delta Kappa Societies. She has also served on the boards of the New Jersey Institute for Collegiate Teaching and Learning, Harvard University's Institute for Educational Management, Desert Academy, the National Urban League, The Women's Foundation, The Chapin School, and Cambridge Montessori School.

Stewart resides in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Helen L. Stewart was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on December 11, 2019.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Helen L. Stewart was conducted by Larry Crowe on December 11, 2019, in Honolulu, Hawaii, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Management consultant and academic administrator Helen L. Stewart (1943-) was dean of faculty affairs and professor of sociology at Sonoma State University and vice president for academic affairs and provost at Rider University before co-founding and becoming president of the University of Metaphysical Studies.

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Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Stewart, Helen L.

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews
Stewart, Helen L.--Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Academic Administrator

Management Consultant

HistoryMakers® Category:

EducationMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart, Section A2019_139_001_001, TRT: 1:29:32 ?

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Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart, Section A2019_139_001_003, TRT: 3:29:01 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart, Section A2019_139_001_004, TRT: 4:29:12 ?

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Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart, Section A2019_139_001_006, TRT: 6:31:02 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Helen L. Stewart, Section A2019_139_001_007, TRT: 7:30:37 ?

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