

Traces and Silences

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See the work of Joanna Eleftheriou on sexuality and identity; and Yorgo Topalides on Ottoman Greeks

Under-researched Topics: Protestant Greeks, Greeks and the Civil Rights Movement, Interracial Relations, Same sex relations, Intercultural Marriages in early 20th c Immigrant Marriages, Assimilation into African American Culture, An American Diaspora (Greek American artists and authors who live in Greece and write in English [or connect with American culture]), Families of Greek Americans in Greece (underway), Greek festivals, post-1960s experience of the working-class

New trends and issues of contestation

Orthodoxy:

Movement toward pan-orthodoxy; de-ethnicize the Church (American West and South most prominent)

Greek Education/Saturday language schools

Amateur educators/resistance of children to learn Greek; often parental opposition who see a hyphenated identity as non-American

Secularization of Greek America – New Institutions

Film festivals, proliferation of professional societies

Ethnic Preservation – Identity

Anxiety/reflection; Role of a) Modern Greek Programs b) Study Abroad Programs (National Hellenic Society) c) Local cultural activism

Relations with Greece

Ambivalence, Critique of the state

Archival Resources

New York University - The Tamiment Library and Robert F. Wagner Labor Archives

Guide to the John Poulos and Constantine Poulos Papers TAM.114 : Greek and Greek-American Radicalism Collection ca. 1921-1978 (Bulk 1940-1950)

There are also two separate collections relating to the murder of George Polk in Greece: (1) The Newsmen's Commission Records, with a guide and (2) the Polk Papers, with a preliminary guide, see at the end of this entry, below.

Among the library's labor collections, those of greatest interest would be the George Litsios Papers, 3 linear feet, 1926-1980, containing records of Greek Fur Workers, Local 70, and of Litsios' role as a dissident and activist in the Rank and File Committee within the local union. Includes Greek-language material. Also, the Communications Workers of America, Local 1180 records, which include papers of long-time president of the local, Arthur Cheliotis. The CWA, Local 1180 records are described in this guide.

[Note: If the links to guides don't work, you can find them on the Tamiment Library's web site, in the list to be found by clicking "Collections/Finding-Aids."]

<http://www.mgsa.org/Resources/gkam.html#F>

United States Library of Congress: Library of Congress, Online

Extensive collections. Search with a topic such as "Greek American" or with specific keywords, such as an organization's name or a periodical title, or with a combination including a location.

Researchers, Reference Tools and Services

United States National Archives: Checklist: Places to Look For Documents on Archives.gov

US government records collections.

Includes declassified World War Two records for "OSS" and "Office of Strategic Services".

Genealogists / Family Historians:

New to Genealogy? Genealogy FAQs.

Mitropoulos, Dimitris, Unpublished correspondence

University of Minnesota, Immigration History Research Center: AHEPA, National Office, Records, 1923-1950

The Immigration History Research Center Archives contain the largest and most significant collections of multi-ethnic immigrant experience in North America. Established in 1965, the IHRC's staff, affiliated ethnic scholars, and communities contributed toward the archival collections. Archival holdings reflect the experience of immigrants, ethnic communities and organizational or resettlement records. The Greek

American collections primarily fit within the late 19th- and early 20th-century migration documentation (from a geographic area described by Finland, Syria and Italy) collected by the IHRC, but 20th-century refugee materials also are collected. A related resource available at the Special Collections and Rare Books division at the University of Minnesota is the Basil Laourdas Modern Greek Collection of Greek literature. The circulating holdings of the University Libraries contain thousands of books on Greek topics that support the non-circulating archival and rare print materials for studying Greek culture and immigration.

The Greek American holdings at the IHRC contain several extraordinarily rich collections documenting Hellenic immigration on multiple levels. The archives of fraternal and educational organizations such as the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope provide valuable information on the community life of Greek-speaking immigrants and their descendants in many regions of the United States, from Tarpon Springs, Florida, to Minneapolis, Minnesota. Papers of immigration historian Theodore Saloutos document various stages of Greek immigration, while the Demetrios Callimachos collection offers a wealth of complementary visual materials, among other sources. Religion is well represented in the papers of Rev. George Papademetriou, which have recently been processed to make them accessible. The IHRC also holds a significant library of books pertaining to Greek immigration, as well as newspapers and magazines produced by this immigrant group. The collections have been used in the past by scholars researching regional Greek American histories, relationships between immigrants and their country of origin, and other subjects of ethnic history and comparative studies of multiple immigrant groups.

<http://www.mgsa.org/Resources/gkam.html#K>

University of Pittsburgh Libraries, Archive Services

Center:

Guide to Selected Greek and Greek-American Resources

Organizations / Churches

American Service Institute, Pittsburgh, PA, Records, 1941-1961

Greek American Progressive Association, 1952-1953

Greek War Relief, Friends of Greece

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Records, 1906-1976(restricted access)

Miscellaneous Publications / Pamphlets

American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA

"Greek Orthodox Church of Pittsburgh"

"The History of the Order of AHEPA", 1922-1972
"Karthian Heritage.", Federation of Karpathian Societies of America, c. 1978
Mantzoros, Peter N., "AHEPA and I Across the Years".
Related Collections
Ethnic Fraternal Organizations Oral History Project
Hays, Samuel P., Post World War II Radical Movements Collection, Greek Report
Greek Federation of the Workers of America. Etc.
<http://www.mgsa.org/Resources/gkam.html#M>

**University of Utah, J. Willard Marriott Library,
Manuscripts Division: Greek Americans: Helen Zeese
Papanikolas Papers**

Ms 471.

Materials concerning the research and writing of Papanikolas about the ethnic peoples in Utah. Correspondence, information on awards received, copies of published articles. Oral history transcripts of interviews with immigrants and the children of immigrants conducted by Papanikolas' students in classes taught at the University of Utah in 1977 and 1979. Topics in the interviews: adjusting to life in America, the continuation of native traditions and customs, and racial prejudice. Indexed register. (Also see the Helen Z. Papanikolas Oral Histories Collection, Utah Historical Society.)

Greek Archives

Ms 530.

1888-1989. Greek and English.

<http://www.mgsa.org/Resources/gkam.html#N>

For additional archival resources see,
<http://www.mgsa.org/Resources/gkam.html>