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Descriptive Summary

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Abstract

Oral history interviews conducted by students of Dr. Emily Satterwhite's HUM 2504 Introduction to American Studies class with interviewees who work on or near the Virginia Tech campus. Interviews explore the particular jobs of the interviewees and the issues related to working for these interviewees. The collection also contains annotated bibliographies and reflections papers created by students about their interview experience. There are images of some of the interviewees.

Extent

2.05 Cubic Feet 3 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research with the exception of Box 3, which contains restricted materials not available to the public. Restricted materials include release forms and catalog sheets which contain personal contact information. Also restricted for varying periods of time are three other interviews, which will be released upon the designated date.

Use Restrictions

Permission to publish material from Talking About Work Oral History Interview Project must be obtained from Special Collections, Virginia Tech.

Acquisition Information

The Talking About Work Oral History Interview Project materials were donated to Special Collections in multiple accessions during 2011 and 2012.

Processing Information

The processing, arrangement, and description of the Talking About Work Oral History Interview Project was completed in April 2013.

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Historical Note

Begun in the fall semester of 2008, Talking About Work is an oral history project conceived by Dr. Emily Satterwhite for her students over several semesters of HUM 2504 Introduction to American Studies. In the project, each class collected and analyzed evidence about individuals' relationships to work on and near the Virginia Tech campus. The interviewees lived or worked in Montgomery County, Virginia. The focus of the project was on issues that disproportionately affect working class and wage laborers such as minimum wage versus a "living wage," issues of class status, access to health care and retirement options, and ability to pass along educational opportunities and financial support to family members. Interviews were with middle class or working class employees.

In addition to conducting and transcribing an interview, class members also prepared an annotated bibliography and a reflections paper about what they had learned.

Scope and Content

Talking About Work Oral History Interview Project spans the dates 2008 to 2011. The collection consists of oral history interviews conducted by students with interviewees who lived or worked in Montgomery County, Virginia. The interviews focused on individuals' jobs and the issues that affect middle class, working class, and wage laborers. The collection also includes annotated bibliographies related to issues that affect workers and reflection papers about working prepared by the students interviewers. Some interviews include images of the interviewee.

Keywords

Women -- History
Montgomery County (Va.)
Local/Regional History and Appalachian South
Oral histories (literary works)
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (1970-)

Arrangement

This collection is arranged in series corresponding to the semester in which the interviews were conducted. There is also a series containing restricted materials. Within a series, interviews are arranged alphabetically by interviewee. Series I: Fall 2008 Series II: Spring 2010 Series III: Fall 2010 Series IV: Fall 2011 Series V: Restricted Materials: This series contains Catalogue Forms completed by the student interviewers and release forms. Because these forms contain personal information about both interviewers and interviewees, they can not be made available to the public. This series also includes interviews that have time restrictions.

Interviews will be moved to the appropriate series once the time restriction has passed.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Fall 2008

Talking About Work Interview Project Guidelines,

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Container 1 (folder)

Alga, Johnny, outside sales representative, interview by Beth Thompson,

Unit Date 2008

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Anonymous, bouncer, interview by Kit Konzik,

Unit Date 2008

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Banks, Carl, fast food worker, interview by Josh Brown,

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Brown, Sean, bartender, interview by Doug Vinci,

Unit Date 2008

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Cromer, Melissa, senior secretary, interview by Julie Utterback,

Unit Date 2008

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Foster, Lindsey, certified tanning specialist, interview by Alison Noble,

Unit Date 2008

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Frost, Serena, instructor of English, interview by Brady Price,

Unit Date 2008

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Gnawali, Sarita, head cashier, interview by Zachary Taylor,

Unit Date 2008

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Hayes, Donald, shuttle driver/ river guide, interview by Trevon Talbot,

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Keymont, Stephanie, cashier, interview by Andrew Bradley,

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Kiser, Jamie, dormitory housekeeper, interview by Erin Weiner,

Unit Date 2008

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LaFratta, Jonathan, meat cutter, interview by Nicole Singleton,

Unit Date 2008

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Lee, Alice, housekeeper for Greek community, interview by Katie Hooper,

Unit Date 2008

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Mackey, Alex, bar tender, interview by Chris Snow,

Unit Date 2008

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Mattox, David, bar and grill manager, interview by Matthew Stevenson,

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Mitchell, Isaac, tattoo artist, interview by Paula Ollikainen,

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Nassar, Kristin, waitress, interview by Juliet Barnard,

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Parelhoff, Samuel, delivery driver/team member, interview by Maggie Lecos,

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Container 19 (folder)

Paul, Jason, organic farm worker/construction worker, interview by Katherine Goins,
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Payne, Charles, deputy commandant, interview by Daniel Frazier,
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Pollard, Jen, coordinator of YMCA student programs, interview by Kim Rosenberg,
Unit Date 2008
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Pritchard, Mely, food production manager, interview by John Yamine,
Unit Date 2008
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Robbs, Josh, senior data reductionist, interview by Kathryn Tressler,
Unit Date 2008
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Ross, Sandra, writing center worker, interview by David Duckett,
Unit Date 2008
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Russel, Kyle, kitchen assistant, interview by Scott Beard,
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Schaefer-Friedman, Daniel, first cook, interview by Rachel Whaley,
Unit Date 2008
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Container 27 (folder)

Stowers, Jared, Lowe's employee, interview by James McLaughlin, 2008
Unit Date October 17, 2008
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Container 27A (folder)

Series II: Spring 2010

Andrew, Spike, property manager, and Allen Collins, maintenance supervisor, interview by Kelly Gay, Wesley Johnson and Josh Madison,
Unit Date 2010
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Battreal, David, bartender, interview by Kevin Eike and Nathan Davis,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 28 (folder)

Blevins, Bobbie, food services supervisor, interview by Jenna Wright and Kylie Sturgeon,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 29 (folder)

Breslau, Margaret, retail store owner, interview by Mia Perry, Jennifer Le and Jillian Pedro,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 30 (folder)

Brooks, Matthew, culinary certified trainer, interview by Sara Vaughan and Jon Cubbage,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 31 (folder)

Cogar, Ray, shift manager, pizza franchise, interview by Ben Sharpe and Holden Raines,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 32 (folder)

Dausin, Devin, complex director, studnet residence halls, interview by Madison Benner,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 33 (folder)

Hummer, Mollie, crew trainer, fast food franchise, interview by Amber Weyland,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 34 (folder)

Katryna (stage name), exotic dancer, interview by Jessica Emanuele and Lora Brightman,

Unit Date March 21, 2010

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Container 34a (folder)

Krauch, Melinda, roamer, dining services, interview by Cassidy Weitman,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 35 (folder)

Louderback, Jessica, service trainer, restaurant, interview by Sarah Grant,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 36 (folder)

Lucas, Martha, housekeeper, residence halls, interview by Elizabeth Brucker,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 37 (folder)

Martin, Mary, housekeeper, residence halls, interview by Caitlin Sehl and Chelsea Locker,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 38 (folder)

Moeller, Matthew, assistant director of marketing and promotions, Athletic Department, interview by Vanina Alanes and Matt Klepeisz,

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Container 39 (folder)

Mooney, senior instructor of English, Jennifer interview by Aimee Gervacio,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 40 (folder)

Porter, Greg, restaurant dishwasher, interview by Mallory Hanna,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 41 (folder)

Robinson, Arkeif, student assistant manager, food court, interview by Kristin Riley and Carlie Osborne,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 42 (folder)

Smith, Kate, hairdresser, interview by Kace Snyder and Kelsey Hawes,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 43 (folder)

Soyars, Brian, night shift manager, fast food franchise, interview by Jason Ramsey,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 44 (folder)

Walker, Donald interview, residence hall complex director, by Bo Hart,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 45 (folder)

Weber-Wakelam, Anna, waitress, interview by Vanessa Shipman,

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Series III: Fall 2010

Barbour, Mark, union organizer, interview by Jared Rowan,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 47 (folder)

Burnop, Greg, leasing consultant, interview by Sarah Woldekidan,

Unit Date 2010

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Fowler, Hart, magazine publisher/editor, and Tyler Godsey, magazine general manager/creative director, interview by Cotter Spratley and Guy LaVigne,

Unit Date 2010

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Helms, Francine, 1st grade teacher, interview by Maddie Nye and Kyla Little,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 50 (folder)

Jones, David, director of events and volunteer programs, interview by Kate Mawyer,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 51 (folder)

Jones, Kristen, housekeeping supervisor, interview by Lauren Kennedy and Katie Herber,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 52 (folder)

Knott, Heath, door staff, interview by Mallory Smith and Lauren Whaley,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 53 (folder)

Lee, Mary Johnson, cashier, dining services, interview by Joe Blaser,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 54 (folder)

Moguel, Reuben, assistant equipment manager, interview by Mackenzie Hanley,

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Container 55 (folder)

Orr, Tracy, first baker, dining hall, and farm assistant manager, interview by Dan Crowder and Sean Moore,

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Container 56 (folder)

Sink, Susan, farm owner/manager, interview by Ashley Griffin,

Unit Date 2010

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Container 57 (folder)

Vero, Aimee, bookstore sales associate, interview by Dorothy Vu,

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Series IV: Fall 2011

Abraham, David, bicycle shop owner, interview by Paul Lascko and Nicholas Picollelli,

Unit Date 2011

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Blount, Ross, funeral director, interview by Carmen Fields,

Unit Date 2011

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Container 60 (folder)

Dickerson, Kim, 3rd grade teacher, interview by Imani Holmes and Sean Skidmore,

Unit Date 2011

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Container 61 (folder)

Hyatt, Heath, police patrol officer, K-9 unit, interview by Brooke Shiflett and Lucas Eckert,

Unit Date 2011

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Container 1 (folder)

Miller, Todd, parking enforcement officer, interview by Julia Engelund and Kelsey Shaffer,

Unit Date 2011

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Pease, Gail M., housekeeping senior lead worker, interview by Vivian Chen and Kaitlyn Cotter,

Unit Date 2011

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Container 3 (folder)

Sheppard, Darrell, police patrol sergeant, interview by Landon Sachs and Copley Decker,

Unit Date 2011

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Thomas, Linda, self-employed housekeeper, interview by Brett Ruby and Cait Whitlow,

Unit Date 2011

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Container 5 (folder)

Anonymous, registered nurse, interview by Vanessa Ten-Kate and Patrick Herndon,

Unit Date 2011

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Access Restrictions

Restrict access until 10/17/2021. No access to audio.

Series V: Restricted Materials,

Unit Date 2008-2011

Access Restrictions

Please note: Materials in Series 5 contain personal information and are restricted from use by researchers. This series also includes three interviews with a time restriction (individual restrictions are listed below). Contact Special Collection for more information.

Catalog sheets, A-G

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Catalog sheets, H-N

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Catalog sheets, O-Z

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