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## Biographical History

Sherwood Lingenfelter (b. November 18, 1941) served as Fuller Theological Seminary's Dean of the School of World Mission from 1999-2003 and Provost from 2003–2011. Dr. Lingenfelter continues to serve as a Senior Professor of Anthropology. Taught courses include "Culture and Transformation"; "Culture, Human Sexuality, and Ministry"; and "Leaders, Denominational Structures, and Missional Churches."

Before his appointment at Fuller, he served as professor of intercultural studies and provost and senior vice president at Biola University, La Mirada, California, from 1983-1999, and professor of anthropology at SUNY College at Brockport, New York, from 1966 to 1983. He holds a BA from Wheaton College and a PhD in Anthropology from the University of Pittsburgh.

With his wife, Dr. Judith Lingenfelter, he lived for three years in the Yap Islands of Micronesia; engaged in research in Brazil, Cameroon, and Suriname. He has served as research and training consultant to SIL from 1977 to 2007 in Papua New Guinea, Borneo, Philippines, Africa, and Latin America. He contributes regularly to mission conferences and to missionary candidate training for other evangelical mission organizations.

## Published Works

- *Ministering Cross-Culturally* (1986, 2003)
- *Transforming Culture* (1992, 1998)
- *Agents of Transformation* (1996)
- *Leading Cross-culturally: An Incarnational Model for Power-Giving Leadership* (2008)
- *Leadership in the Way of the Cross* (2018)
- *Teaching Cross-Culturally* (2003), co-author with Dr. Judith E Lingenfelter
- *Breaking Tradition to Accomplish Vision: Training Leaders for a Church Planting Movement* (2006), co-author with Dr. Paul R. Gupta

## Scope and Content

The Sherwood Lingenfelter collection collection includes research materials regarding the indigenous peoples of the Yap Islands of Micronesia. Administrative records concern Fuller Theological Seminary's School of World Mission and Provost's Office. Formats include slides, photographs, audio recordings, and video recordings of lectures given by Dr. Sherwood Lingenfelter at Biola University and Fuller Theological Seminary. Documents range in date from the 1960s-2010.

## Subjects

Anthropologists  
Fuller Theological Seminary  
Fuller Theological Seminary. School of World Mission.  
Religion

## Yap (Micronesia)

### Arrangement

The Papers of Sherwood Lingenfelter, 1967-2011 is arranged in two series. Dr. Lingenfelter organized Series 2: Yap Data.

Series I: Dean and Provost Office Files, 1985-2010 (Boxes 1-11a)

Series II: Yap Data, 1962-1980 (Boxes 12-15)

Subseries 1: Research, 1967-1969

Subseries 2: Research, 1979-1980

Subseries 3: Slides and Photographs, 1962-1969

### Series Description

Series I: Dean and Provost Office Files, 1985-2010 (Boxes 1-11a)

This series includes Dr. Sherwood Lingenfelter's articles, reviews, lectures, manuscripts, paper outlines, reading notes, papers, general research, and Deni research. It also includes records related to ministry opportunities, messages & sermons, church ministries, and speaking engagements (Index 1985-1997). There are summer of 1998 documents, and mission organizations' documents. Office files also cover Provost's travel, conferences and workshops files, classes, SAIACS visit documents, a binder of documents from India, Hindustan Bible Institute archival papers, and documents concerning Lingenfelter's installation as Dean and Provost at Fuller Seminary.

Series II: Yap Data, 1962-1980 (Boxes 12-15)

Subseries 1: Research, 1967-1969

The subseries includes YAP Census forms from 1967-1968, and field research interview and observation notes from 1967-1969. The coded files were created using Murdock's HRAF Cultural Categories. Additional files are alphabetized by information, which include documents on Legislature and Public Affairs Statistics.

Subseries 2: Research, 1979-1980

This subseries includes original interview notes and coded optical scan sheets from a sample set of 100 men and women. The section also has original court case summary notes in a 3x5 format, and court case code printout data for statistical analysis.

Subseries 3: Slides and Photographs, 1962-1969

## Container List

### Series I: Dean and Provost Office Files, 1985-2010. Boxes 1-11a.

#### Boxes 1-9: Dean and Provost Office Files

Box	Description	Date/Note
1	Articles, Book and Article Reviews, Lectures, MSS	
2	Paper Outlines, Reading Notes, Papers, Research	
3	Deni Research, Ministry Opportunities, Messages & Sermons, Church Ministries	
4	Speaking Engagements (Index 1985-1997), Summer of '98 documents, Mission Organizations, Provost travel, Conferences, Workshops	1985-1998
5	Provost travel, Conferences, Workshops	
6	Workshops, Classes, Lectures, Research	
7	Research, Workshops, Classes, Lectures, SAIACS Visit, binder of documents from India, Hindustan Bible Institute archival papers, Duplicate notes, Yap Vol. 1	
8	Binders: Lectures on Biblical Leadership, Sri Lanka, 1999; Country for SIL Workshop on Reframing Partnerships, 2000; MB520 Winter 2005	1999-2005
9	Installation as Dean, Installation as Provost	

#### Box 10: Provost Files

Folder	Item	Date/Note
1	Academic Leadership Council	2003/2004
2	Center for Deaf Ministries	1994-97
3	China Initiatives	
4	Copyright	
5	CIO policies	2001
6	Name change committee – SWM to SIS	
7	FTS Org charts	2001, 2002
8	Jerusalem University College institutional agreement	2001
9	Sandy Ford Fund and Fellowship	2002
10	Crime and incident log	2001/2002
11	FTS Sexual Harassment Training	
12	Denominational issues	2001, 2002
13	Online Registration	2005
14	Report on email policies	2001
15	Methodist affairs	1996-2001
16	Muslim Scholars' visit files and audio cassettes	2002
17	Muslim relations	2003
18	Miscellaneous publications	
19	Messick, Fred. Public Relations	
20	Facts about Fuller for the website	

21-22	Master Calendar	2001-2006
23	Trustees Resource Management committee	
	Fuller Foundation reports	2003-2006

**Box 11: Provost Files**

Folder	Item	Date/Note
1	Bruce « Bud » Bare; Bill Bjoraker; Bookstore Task Group report 2010	2003, 2010
2	Capacity planning committee	2003
3	Correspondence	2001-2002
4	Correspondence	2003-2004
5	Correspondence Chron. file	2004-2005
6	Cohort: MAGL	
7	Enrollment report	
8	Ethnic Concerns Committee	2004, 2006
9	Geneva Room book display	
10	International students report	
11	Self-Study	2000
12	WASC Special visit. Team Room documents	2002
13	WASC Special visit. Report prep	2002
14	Strategic Plan	2002-2006
15	Student Surveys	2001, 2006
16	Youth Ministry Proposal	2002
Binder	New Faculty orientation	

**Box 11a: Audio and video recordings, Bobby Clinton Leadership manuscripts**

**Series II: Yap Data, 1962-1980. Boxes 12-15.**

**Boxes 12-15: Yap Data as organized by Dr. Sherwood Lingenfelter**

Box	Description	Date/Note
12-15	Research, 1967-1969 Research, 1979-1980 Slides and Photographs, 1962-1969	