

# Scott Briar papers, 1957-1981

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Briar, Scott, 1926-
<b>Title</b>	Scott Briar papers
<b>Dates</b>	1957-1981 (inclusive) 1957 1981
<b>Quantity</b>	5 cubic feet (5 boxes)
<b>Collection Number</b>	(Accession No. 4119-003)
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## Biographical Note

Joseph Scott Briar was born on July 27, 1926, and died on June 17, 1998. He received his bachelor's degree from Washburn University in 1950, his master's degree in social work from Washington University in St. Louis in 1952, and his doctorate in social welfare from Columbia University in 1961. Between his master's and doctoral degrees, he worked as a psychiatric social worker and supervisor for the Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kansas. He was a professor in the School of Social Welfare at the University of California, Berkeley, from 1959 to 1971. At Berkeley his research interests included work with youth and families.

Briar became professor and dean of the University of Washington School of Social Work in 1971. In 1975, the School of Social Work began a Ph.D. program in social welfare. This program had been in preparation for nearly a decade, and Briar played an important part in the final steps of its creation. He served as dean until 1988 and taught until 1990.

In addition to teaching and research, Briar was involved in a number of professional organizations. He was the book review editor of *Social Work*, the journal of the National Association of Social Workers, from 1971 to 1972 and editor-in-chief from 1972 to 1976. He spoke at several events for the Council on Social Work Education, and his paper from the 1973 annual meeting, "Effective Social Work in Direct Practice: Implications for Education," (box 2, folders 7 to 11) generated great interest. In the 1980s,

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he led the American Association of Schools of Social Work, which is also sometimes known as the Conference of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work, and the National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work. In addition, he was a consultant to the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare from 1966 to 1969.

## Content Description

The Scott Briar papers contain records from many stages of Briar's career, including correspondence, speeches and writings, conferences and conventions, subject files, case files, and photographs. The papers also include records from the University of Washington School of Social Work that document the establishment of a Ph.D. program in social welfare; records from the National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work; and correspondence, editorials, and meeting files regarding the publication *Social Work*.

## Use of the Collection

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Arranged in four series:

- Personal and professional papers, 1957-1981
- University of Washington School of Social Work records, 1966-1979
- National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work records, 1982-1987
- Social Work* records, 1971-1976

### Acquisition Information

Donated by Karen Miller, March 19, 1990, and the University of Washington School of Social Work, December 1991.

### Processing Note

Processing completed by Nicholas Netzel in November 2003.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

## Personal and professional papers, 1957-1981

The personal and professional papers series contains Briar's correspondence, speeches, writings, documentation from his participation in professional conferences, research files, and reports. In addition, subject files document a wide range of Briar's research interests and casework, as well as his other professional activities. Much of the series consists of material from his work and research at the University of California, Berkeley. The curriculum files include casework used by Briar in his teaching at Berkeley.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1-2	Biographical information	1962-1979
	General correspondence	
Box/Folder		
1/3	Rosenblatt, Aaron	1972-1973
1/4	Turem, Jerry S.	1973-1974
1/5-25	Miscellaneous	1959-1978
	Correspondence regarding:	
Box/Folder		
1/26	Miscellaneous editorials	1976-1977
1/27	National Conference on Social Welfare, Family Policy Commission	1977
1/28	National Conference on Social Welfare, Future of Social Services Task Force	1976
1/29	Position offers	1963-1968
1/30	Reprint requests	1978-1979
1/31	Social Work Group for the Study of Behavioral Methods	1975
1/32	Undergraduate textbook	1972

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/33	Wichita State Hospital workshop	1977
	Speeches	
Box/Folder		
1/34	Annual Meeting of the Family Counseling Service of Portland, Oregon	1967
1/35	"An Exploratory Study of the Connection Between Research and Social Policy Development"	1971
1/36	"Future of Social Work Practice"	1973
1/37	Marin Association for Mental Health	1962
1/38	Northwest Regional Child Welfare Steering Committee Meeting	1980
1/39	Miscellaneous	1977
	Writings	
Box/Folder		
2/1	"Behavior Modification in Total Institutions"	1972
2/2	"Collaboration Between Schools of Social Work and University Medical Centers"	undated
2/3	"Contemporary Issues and Trends in Social Work Practice," article for <i>Encyclopedia of Social Work</i>	1976-1977
2/4	"Current Crisis in Social Casework"	1967
2/5	"Delinquency, Situational Inducements and Commitment to Conformity"	1965
2/6	"Divorce and the Pursuit of Happiness"	1967
2/7-11	"Effective Social Work in Direct Practice: Implications for Education," Council on Social Work Education Annual Program meeting paper	1973

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Also includes notes, correspondence, and other materials regarding the paper.	
2/12	"A Factor in Analytic and Trait Interference Study of the Leary Interpersonal Checklist"	1963
2/13	"The Family as an Organization: An Approach to Family Diagnosis and Treatment"	undated
2/14	"In Summary"	1977
2/15	"Needed: A Simple Definition of Social Work"	1981
2/16	"Police Encounters with Juveniles"	1964
2/17	Review of "Notes on Social Casework: A Problem Solving Process" by Helen Harris Perlman	1957
2/18	"Some Elements, Issues and Problems in the Early Relations between Social Casework, Psychiatry and Psychoanalysis"	1957
2/19	"The Theory in Studying Effects of Client Social Class on Students' Judgments"	1961
2/20	"Toward Autonomous Social Diagnosis"	1976
2/21	"Two Perspectives for the Diagnosis and Treatment of the Family as a Social System"	1962
2/22	"Welfare Recipients' Attitudes"	undated
2/23	"Why Children's Allowances?"	1969
2/24	Miscellaneous	1974, undated
	Speeches and writings of others	
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
2/25	"The Family as a Unit of Study and Treatment"	1969
2/26	"Health Journal"	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/27	Peterson, Donald and London, Perry, "A Role for Cognition in the Behavioral Treatment of a Child's Elimination Disturbance"	1967
2/28	Piliavin, Irving	1963, 1968, undated
2/29	Strean, Herbert S, "Psychoanalytically-Oriented Casework versus Behavior Modification Therapy"	undated
2/30	Titmuss, Richard, "Welfare Rights, Law and Discretion"	1971
2/31	Van Wagenen, Richard D., "Fair Hearing Study"	1977
2/32	Wollins, Martin, "Societal Function of Social Welfare," and "Group Care: Friend or Foe?"	1968
	Conferences and conventions	
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
2/33	Child Welfare League of America	1962
2/34	Council on Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Phoenix	1976
2/35	Council on Social Work Education Southwest Regional Workshop: Integrating Practice and Research Curriculum	1980
2/36	Department of Health, Education and Welfare Social Rehabilitation Service Conference	1976
2/37	Directions in Social Work Conference, Portland State University	1973
2/38	Dissemination Conference, Title XX	1976
2/39	Domestic Council Conference	1975
2/40	George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Washington University, 50th Anniversary Conference	1976
2/41	International Council on Social Welfare	1976
2/42	National Association of State Budget Officers	1975-1976

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/43-44	National Association of Social Workers, National Conference on the Future of Social Work Research, San Antonio	1978
2/45	National Conference on Social Welfare	1977
2/46	Ph.D. Conference, Ann Arbor	1976
2/47	Social Dynamics and Social Intervention	1976
2/48	Conference of Social Work Deans, San Diego	1977
2/49	Social Work in the New Age of Accountability Institute	1973
2/50	Social Work Practice: Future Directions	1973
3/1-2	Miscellaneous	1975-1977
	Bulletins	
Box/Folder		
3/3	<i>University of California Bulletin</i>	1965
3/4	Menninger Clinic, "Diagnosis and the Difference it Makes"	1975
	Reports	
Box/Folder		
3/5	Report to the Governor on the Department of Social and Health Services [Washington]	1977
3/6	National Commission on Families and Public Policies	1978
	Research files	
Box/Folder		
3/7	Transcripts of interviews Contains interviews of elementary school children regarding school and family life, by unidentified interviewers.	undated
3/8-9	Police observation	1963

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Contains observational notes compiled by Briar, Irving Piliavin and Ray Turner during a study of the Oakland, CA police department, with specific attention towards juveniles.	
	Curriculum files	
Box/Folder		
3/10-11	Casework, general Casework studies and reports used as materials for courses on social work.	1961-1964
	Subject files	
Box/Folder		
3/12	Advocacy	1972
3/13	Briar-Hutchins social work course materials	1975
3/14	Briar-Strean debate, New York University	1972
3/15	University of Chicago visits	1974
3/16	<i>Children and Youth Services Review</i>	1978
3/17	Comparative analysis of family treatment methods	1972
3/18	"Emotional Stresses in the Family"	1965
3/19	Faculty retreat	1976-1977
3/20	Family research	1962-1964
3/21	"Getting Published" workshop	1975
3/22	Health affairs advisory	1974
3/23	Holiday open house	1973-1981
3/24	Menninger Foundation	1975
3/25-27	Multiple impact therapy	1959-1963



Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Information regarding the use of multiple impact therapy, and Briar's observation of it's practice in a University of Texas Medical Center case.	
3/28	National Association of Social Workers, Washington D.C.	1969
3/29	National Commission for Children in Need of Parents	1978
3/30	National Science Foundation Proposal	1972
3/31	<i>Problems and issues in social casework</i>	1972-1973
3/32	San Diego meeting of San Diego State University and local chapters of the National Association of Social Workers	1977
3/33	Speaking engagements	1975-1976
3/34	Task centered casework	1975-1976
3/35	U.S. President Commission on Mental Health Task Panel on Manpower and Personnel	1978
3/36	University governance	1968-1971
3/37	Washington D.C. trip	1977
3/38	Welfare fraud	1968
3/39	University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, consultation	1973
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
4/1	Newsletters	1972-1974
4/2	Brochures	1965-1966
4/3	Photographs Contains portraits of Scott Briar and photos of members of the University of Washington, School of Social Work.	undated
4/4	Miscellany	1969
4/5	Clippings	1965-1972

## University of Washington, School of Social Work records, 1966-1979

The University of Washington, School of Social Work series contains records from the first decade of Briar's tenure as dean of the school. The bulk relates to the creation of the doctoral program in social welfare. Correspondence includes inquiries from students interested in applying to the program, some of which date almost 10 years before the actual inception of the program. The Ad Hoc Social Welfare Committee files include the proposal for a doctoral degree program in social welfare.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
4/6	General correspondence	1975-1978
	Correspondence regarding:	
Box/Folder		
4/7	Council of Higher Education and the proposed Ph.D program in Social Welfare	1973-1974
4/8	Job inquiries for School of Social Work positions	1971-1972
4/9-13	Ph.D. program, applicant inquiries	1966-1974
4/14-19	Ph.D. program in social welfare	1971-1974
	Reports	
Box/Folder		
4/20	Review of master of social work program	1973
	Subject files	
Box/Folder		
4/21	Core requirements	1976
4/22-24	Doctoral program in social welfare	1974
4/25	Faculty curricula vitae	1974
Box/Folder		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4/26	University of Washington, School of Social Work, Administrative Group	1979
4/27	University of Washington, School of Social Work, Personnel Committee	1979
4/28	University of Washington, School of Social Work, Ph.D. Program Committee	1971
	University of Washington, School of Social Work, Social Welfare Committee (Ad Hoc)	
	Proposals	
Box/Folder		
4/29	"The Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the Field of Social Welfare"	1970
4/30	"Information to Supplement a Request for Authorization of a Doctor of Philosophy in Social Welfare Program at the University of Washington"	1973
Box/Folder		
4/31	Reports	1972

## American Association of Schools of Social Work (AASSW) records, 1982-1987

AASSW was an organization concerned with ensuring excellence in social work education programs and was led by Briar in the mid 1980s. It went through two name changes while Briar was in charge: the Conference of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work until 1985, when it became the AASSW, and the National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work in 1987. Briar was a proponent of the 1987 name change because he felt it better represented the nature of the group as an organization of administrators, rather than that of schools.

The series contains correspondence of AASSW, meeting minutes, subject files related to program accreditation and AASSW by-laws, and AASSW's interaction with the Council on Social Work Education.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
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Container(s)	Description	Dates
4/32-37	General correspondence	1985-1987
	Correspondence Regarding:	
Box/Folder		
4/38	Dues negotiations with the Council on Social Work Education	1985
4/39	Tax exemption and non-profit status	1985
4/40	U.S. National Institute of Mental Health	1986
Box/Folder		
4/41	Minutes	1985
4/42	Conference file: fall meeting, Chicago	1985
4/43	Memoranda	1985-1986
4/43	Membership lists	1985
	Subject files	
Box/Folder		
5/1	Accreditation	1984-1987
5/2	Accreditation surveys	1986-1987
5/3	By-laws survey	1986
5/4	Council on Social Work Education	1987
	AASSW Taskforce on the Future Role and Structure of Graduate Schools of Social Work Education	
Box/Folder		
5/5-6	General correspondence	1982-1984
5/7-8	Reports	1983

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<a href="#">Box/Folder</a>		
5/9	AASSW Taskforce on Implementation	1985-1987
5/10-11	AASSW Taskforce on Quality in Graduate Social Work Education	1983-1984

## Social Work Records, 1971-1976

Contains records documenting Briar's service as book review editor and editor-in-chief of *Social Work*, the journal for the National Association of Social Workers. Primarily includes correspondence, copies of Briar's editorials, and meeting files.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	General correspondence	
<a href="#">Box/Folder</a>		
5/12-13	Book review editor	1971-1972
5/14-17	Editor-in-chief	1972-1976
5/18-25	Editorial board	1972-1976
5/26	Miscellaneous	1974-1976
<a href="#">Box/Folder</a>		
5/27-29	Editorials	1973-1975
5/30-31	Meeting files	1971-1972
5/32	Subject file: future issue	1974

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

College teachers--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
 Family social work--Research--United States  
 Schools of social work--Faculty--Archives  
 Schools of social work--United States

Schools of social work--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Social service--Periodicals  
Social service--Research--United States  
Social service--Societies, etc  
Social work education--Curricula  
Social work education--United States  
Social work education--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Social work with youth--Research--United States  
Social workers--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives

**Personal Names :**

Briar, Scott, 1926- --Archives  
Rosenblatt, Aaron  
Turem, Jerry S

**Corporate Names :**

American Association of Schools of Social Work  
Conference of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work  
Council on Social Work Education  
National Association of Deans and Directors of Schools of Social Work (U.S.)  
National Association of Social Workers  
University of Washington. School of Social Work  
University of Washington. School of Social Work--Curricula  
University of Washington--Faculty--Archives

**Geographical Names :**

United States--Social conditions--20th century

**Form or Genre Terms :**

articles  
case files  
correspondence  
Photographs  
reports  
research (document genres)  
writings

**Titles within the Collection :**

Social work

**Other Creators :**

**Corporate Names :**

University of Washington. University Archives

## Names and Subjects

**Subject Terms :**

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