Summary Information
Creator
Zorach, Cecile

Title
Zorach Collection of East German Literature

Dates

Extent
1.5 linear feet (4 manuscript boxes)

Arrangement
The collection is arranged into seven series based on subjects and genres of material such as politics, youth, education, culture, guidebooks, magazines, and miscellaneous items.

Language of Materials
All materials in German and English.

Abstract
This collection consists of literature from the former Democratic Republic of Germany (East Germany) collected by Franklin and Marshall College Professor of German, Cecile Zorach during travels to East Germany. Literature consists of government and non-governmental publications (some propagandic in nature), guidebooks, and magazines on themes such as politics, nuclear war, economics, youth, education, culture, and tourism.

Subjects
Germany (East)--Social life and customs
Germany (East)--Politics and government
Germany (East)--Economic conditions
Socialism--Germany (East)--History
Cold War
Administrative Information
Acquisition Information
All material donated by Cecile Zorach to the Archives and Special Collections in June 2014.

Custodial History (Provenance)
All materials in this collection were collected by Cecile Zorach from the 1980s through 2000s. Some material was collected in the 1980s during personal trips to the former East Germany, while additional material was given to her through the years by colleagues. All material was in her possession until donated to Franklin and Marshall College in 2014.

Access Restrictions
Access unrestricted. The collection is open for research use.

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Preferred Citation
Zorach Collection of East German Literature (MS 77), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College.

Processing Information
Processed by Michael Lear, September 2014. Description based on DACS.

Accruals
No further accruals are expected.

Additional Information
Related Materials
J. William Frey Collection on the Soviet Union (MS 41), Archives & Special Collections, Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, PA.

Biographical Information
Cecile C. Zorach has served as Professor of German at Franklin and Marshall College from 1984 to the present. A native of Arkansas, Zorach holds an A.B. from Oberlin College (Religious Studies), an M.A. from the University of Massachusetts (German), and a Ph.D in German from Princeton University. Before coming to F&M in 1984, Zorach served as Visiting Assistant Professor of German at Stanford University, 1976-78; Assistant Professor of German University of Michigan, 1978-84; and Director, German Program Residential College/University of Michigan, 1978-84. From 2001-2008 she served as Director of the F&M International Studies Program and Joseph International Center.

Historical Information
The Deutsche Demokratische Republik (DDR or Democratic Republic of Germany) was created as a nation state in 1949, as a result of the defeat of Germany in the Second World War by the United States, United Kingdom, France, and the Soviet Union. The 1945 Potsdam Conference (held by the victors) divided Germany into areas of occupation
roughly correlating to the geographic areas conquered by each nation’s military forces. The western part was occupied and governed by the western allies, U.S., U.K., and France, while the eastern part was occupied and governed by the Soviet Union. By 1949, agreements resulted in the partitioning of Germany into the nation states of West Germany (Federal Republic of Germany), whose democratic government allied itself with the western allies, and East Germany (Democratic Republic of Germany), whose ruling Socialist Party aligned itself with the Soviet Union. Post war tensions between the democratic, capitalist west and the totalitarian, communist east resulted in a further divide between the Soviet-dominated Eastern bloc governments (Eastern Europe) and U.S.-influenced Western Europe, setting the stage for the subsequent 40-year Cold War between the United States and the Soviet Union. As part of the Potsdam agreement, the city of Berlin, which was located in the Soviet zone of occupation, was divided into four sectors of occupation among the conquering nations. In 1961, the East Germans constructed the Berlin Wall to seal off movement and political defections between the eastern and western parts of the city and between West Berlin and East Germany, further exacerbating Cold War tensions. By 1989, social, economic, and political forces resulted in largely peaceful revolution and the collapse of communism in Eastern Europe and the Berlin Wall was dismantled. In 1990 the nation of East Germany was dissolved and reunited with West Germany as the modern-day Federal Republic of Germany.

Scope and Content Note
This collection consists of literature from the former Democratic Republic of Germany (East Germany) collected by Franklin and Marshall College Professor of German, Cecile Zorach. Literature consists of government and non-governmental publications (some propagandic in nature), guidebooks, and magazines on themes such as politics, nuclear war, economics, youth, education, culture, and tourism. The bulk of the literature dates from the 1980s and gives a view of socialism in a Soviet-influenced, Eastern-Bloc country during the late Cold War period. A similar collection of Soviet Union material is available in the library as the J. William Frey Collection on the Soviet Union.

Inventory/Contents

Box 1, Folder 1
Political:
• First Hand Information– Series, (3 ENG, 7 GER)
  ◦ Women Under Socialism
  ◦ Vocational Training: Equal Opportunities for All
  ◦ Law and Justice in a Socialist Society
  ◦ Student Und Studium In Der DDR (2)
  ◦ Jugend Arbeit Freizeit Politik
  ◦ Lernen fur das Leben
  ◦ Berufsaubildung Chancengleichheit
  ◦ Berufliche Bildung fur heute und Morgen
  ◦ Das Bildungswesen in der DDR

Box 1, Folder 2
• Our Point of View- Series, (7 ENG, 1 GER)
  ◦ A World Without Nuclear Weapons (2)
• Peace Must Reign Supreme
• An Opportunity that Must be Seized
• The Results and Lessons of Reykjavik (3 ENG, 1 GER)

• Joint Political Initiative of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany and the Social Democratic Party of Germany- Series (4 ENG, 1 GER)
  o Nuclear-Weapon-Free Corridor in Central Europe
  o For a Zone Free of Chemical Weapons in Europe (3 ENG, 1 GER)

• Documents on the Policy of the German Democratic Republic- Series (5 ENG, 1 GER)
  o Report by the Central Statistical Office of the GDR on the fulfillment of the 1985 National Economic Plan
  o Report by the Central Statistical Office of the GDR on the fulfillment of the National Economic Plan in the First Half of 1986
  o Policy of Dialogue Geared to the Normalization of the International Situation (3)
  o Außerordentliche Tagung der Volkskammer der DDR aus Anlaß der 50. Wiederkehr des Beginns des zweiten Weltkrieges am 1. September 1989

• UdSSR fur eine globale doppelte Null-Lösung (3)
• Tagung des Politischen Beratenden Ausschusses der Teilnehmerstaaten (2)
• Bemerkungen zur Volkskunst der Pennsylvania-Deutschen (2)

Box 1, Folder 3
• Deutsche Demokratische Republik
• Friedensbewegung in der DDR
• Atomwaffenfrei in das dritte Jahr-tausend
• Antwort der DDR an den Generalsekretar der UNO
• Unsere Nationale Volksarmee
• Die Welt Von Kernwaffen Befreien
• Time is Pressing for action: GDR Statement on Mikhail Gorbachev’s reply to the message of the six leading statesmen
• What say does the Individual Have?
• New Far-reaching Soviet Proposals to rid the World of Nuclear Weapons
• Milestones in the Development of an Advanced Socialist Society in the GDR
• The Constitution of the German Democratic Republic
• Peace Chronicle: The GDR in the International Year of Peace

Box 1, Folder 4
Youth:
• Jugend der DDR Heute
• Kinder in der DDR
• Jugend Magazin

Education:
• National Commission for UNESCO and Ministry of Education German Democratic Republic- Series (3 ENG)
  o Education for peace, security, détente, and disbarment for international understanding and cooperation and with respect to human rights and fundamental freedoms on the German Democratic Republic
  o Educational Journals Published in the German Democratic Republic Devoted to Peace Education
• International Science Symposium - No more War and Fascism! – Summary Report
  • Students and Colleges: Higher Education in the GDR (2)

**Box 1, Folder 5**
• Education '86: Development of Education in the GDR (2)
• Contribution Made by Curricula and Textbooks, Particularly for History and Social Studies, Towards implementing the...in the German Republic
• The Contribution of geography teaching in the German Democratic Republic and the People's Republic of Bulgaria to the education of the younger generation in the spirit of UNESCO Convention and Recommendation against Discrimination in Education
• Die Computer kommen: Rationalisierung und Arbeitswelt in der DDR
• Erziehung im Frieden- für den Frieden in der DDR
• Ausländischer Student in Deutschland

**Box 2, Folder 1**
**Culture:**
• Expuls Regional-Magazin (2)
• Impressionen von einem Weltforum des Friedens (2)
• Indianer-Museum der Karl-May-Siftung Radebeul (IMAGES)
• Handwerk in der DDR
• Horst Hartmann – Faustgestalt, Faustsage, Faustdichtung
• Sport in der DDR

**Box 2, Folder 2**
• Denkmal Pflege in der DDR
• Vom Sinn Unseres Lebens
• Culture: a magazine from the German Democratic Republic

**Box 2, Folder 3**
**Guidebooks**
General Guidebooks:
• Facts and Figures – Series (4 ENG, 3 GER)
  o 1976 (1 GER)
  o 1985 (1 ENG, 1 GER)
  o 1986 (2 ENG)
  o 1988 (1 GER)
  o 1989 (1 ENG)
• Prisima: A quarterly Digest from the GDR – Series (5 ENG, 8 GER)
  o 1/1987 (1 ENG)
  o 2/1987 (1 ENG)
  o 3/1987 (2 ENG, 1 GER)

**Box 2, Folder 4**
• 1/1988 (2 GER)
• 2/1988 (2 GER)
• 4/1988 (1 GER)
• 2/1989 (1 GER)
Box 3, Folder 1
- 40 Jahre DDR
- Die DDR Stellt Sich Vor 1949/1989
- Baedekers Allianz Reiseführer DDR
- Guide German Democratic Republic

Box 3, Folder 2
Berlin Guidebooks:
- Reisen Nach und von Berlin (West)
- 33 Jahre DDR, 33 Fragen: Berlin
- Informationszentrum Berlin
- Berlin: Hauptstadt der DDR
- Bericht Berlin 1/83
- Janz Berlin is eene Wolke (MAP)
- Berlin Hauptstadt: Beiträge zu einer aktuellen Diskussion
- 750 Years of Berlin Manifesto

Box 3, Folder 3
Magazines
- Sprach Pflege – Series (21)
  - Januar–Dezember 1980 {MISSING 3,6,9}
  - Januar – Dezember 1982

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- Neue Heimat: Journal aus der DDR- Series (42)
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Box 4, Folder 3
- Der Stacheldraht: Fur Freiheit, Recht und Demokratie – Series (4)
  - Nr 1-4/2001
- Deutschland Special E5
- FDGB Review 6’80
- Stern Extra- November 1989

Box 4, Folder 4
Miscellaneous
- DDR shopping bag
- (East) Berlin Hauptstadt der DDR miniature pennant
- DDR Postage Stamps (4 envelopes) 1 to 135 pfennig denominations

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