# Guide to the Vassar College Africana Studies Records, 1969-2004

# **Administrative History**

With recommendations and urging from the Students' Afro-American Society (SAS), a multidisciplinary program in Black Studies was approved in February, 1969. The Urban Black Studies Center was also established and opened off-campus that year to provided educational opportunities for Poughkeepsie residents. Both initiatives were considered experimental and not assured of permanent funding.

In 1975, the program was renamed as the Africana Studies Program. The Urban Center was closed in 1981, its funding shifted toward an endowment for Third World Studies.

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