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**A Finding Aid to the
Samuel M. Blumenfeld Papers
Manuscript Collection No. 791**



Collection Summary

Title	Samuel M. Blumenfield Papers
Dates	circa 1940-1960
Collection Number	MS-791
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Blumenfield, Samuel M., 1901-1972
Extent	1 linear foot (1 record carton)
Language of the Material	English and Hebrew

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch	Born in Russia, Samuel Blumenfield was a rabbi, educator and scholar. Ordained at the Jewish Institute of Religion, he served as superintendent of the Chicago Board of Jewish Education, and as dean, director and president of Chicago's College of Jewish Studies. Active in Zionist and educational affairs, Blumenfield was a prolific author in both English and Hebrew and was a regular contributor to the Hebrew Literary Monthly, Opinion, and Reform Advocate, among other periodicals. He taught at Hofstra University, University of Chicago, Roosevelt University and the New School for Social Research. He served as an officer in the American Jewish Congress, Central Conference of American Rabbis, Avukah, National Council for Jewish Education and Union of American Hebrew Congregations. In 1930 he married Rose Mazel. They had three children.
Scope and Content	The collection consists of drafts (mostly typescript) of essays written in Hebrew and English by Blumenfield on Jewish education, Israel, Zionism, and persons such as Mordecai Kaplan and Ephraim Lisitsky.
Arrangement	This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.
Terms of Access	The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.
Preferred Citation	Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Samuel M. Blumenfield Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows: "Adult Education in the Jewish Community," Box 1. MS-791. Samuel M. Blumenfield Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.
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Index Terms

Subjects	Hebrew language / Israel / Jewish education / Zionism
Personal Names	Blumenfield, Samuel M., 1901-1972 / Kaplan, Mordecai Menahem, 1881-1983 / Lisitsky, Ephraim, 1926-

Series A. General, 1940-1960

Container List

Box 1. Writings, 1940-1960.