Dr. Wilhelmina Manns was on the faculty in the School of Social Work in the 1990s.

Dr. Manns was born in Cleveland to Wynn Colwell and Arthur Manns and had seven brothers and four sisters. In 1956, she received her BA degree from Ohio State University in political science and journalism while being a single parent of three children.

She was then hired by the *Cleveland Courier,* an African-American newspaper. When the funding ran out, she accepted a position with the Cuyahoga County Welfare Department. She soon earned her master's degree in Social Welfare from Case Western Reserve University in 1965.

In 1981, she received her doctorate degree from the School of Social Work at the University of Chicago. At the same time, she served on the faculty at Howard University School of Social Work.

During her time as a member of the CSU social work faculty she contributed to the development of the MSW program which received initial accreditation from the Council on Social Work Education in 1996. She published a book chapter in the classic book, *Black Families*, edited by Harriette McAdoo entitled, "Support systems of significant others in Black families."

Dr. Mann also had a life-long interest in collecting African American postcards and conducted intensive analyses of the images, many of which were stereotypical of African-Americans. Her collection became the foundation for the Manns, Jones, Johnson, Kolb African American Post Card collection. Her last exhibit of the cards took place in 2012 at the Virgil Brown Building in Cleveland.

Dr. Manns had an incredible life of 93 years and is remembered fondly by family friends, and colleagues.

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