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Guide to the Mike Keen Papers 1933-1997



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.KEENM
Title	Keen, Mike. Papers
Date	1933-1997
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Abstract Mike Keen (PhD Notre Dame, 1985) is a Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Indiana, South Bend. This collection contains copies of FBI files kept on prominent intellectuals, primarily sociologists, suspected of communism. These include W.E.B. DuBois, Margaret Mead, Talcott Parsons, and members of the Frankfurt School. Keen used the files when researching his 1999 book *Stalking the Sociological Imagination*. The collection also contains some of Keen's research notes and his correspondence with the FBI. The files themselves cover the 1930s through 1960s; Keen's notes and correspondence date from the 1990s.

Information on Use

Access

The collection is open for research.

Citation

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Keen, Mike. Papers, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

Biographical Note

Mike Keen is a Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Indiana, South Bend, where he joined the faculty in 1987. His research and teaching interests center on sustainability and the sociology of science; he is the founding director of the IU South Bend Center for a Sustainable Future, which offers a minor in Sustainability Studies. He is also accredited in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED).

His book *Stalking the Sociological Imagination: J. Edgar Hoover's FBI Surveillance of American Sociology* (1999) won the North Central Sociological Association's 2000 Scholarly Achievement Award. His teaching has earned him the IU President's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Scope Note

This collection contains Keen's copies of FBI files kept on prominent intellectuals, primarily sociologists, suspected of communism. These include Hannah Arendt, W.E.B. DuBois, Margaret Mead, Talcott Parsons, and members of the Frankfurt School. Some, like Edith Abbott, were faculty at the University of Chicago. The files were censored and released in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, and used by Keen to research *Stalking the Sociological Imagination: J. Edgar Hoover's FBI Surveillance of American Sociology* (1999).

The collection begins with Keen's correspondence, and is organized afterwards by sociologist; members of the Frankfurt School are grouped together. Additional notes and correspondence between Keen and the FBI can be found in individual files. The files themselves cover the 1930s through 1960s, the bulk of them dating from the 1940s and 1950s. Some photocopies are of poor quality and many have substantial redactions. Keen's notes and correspondence date from the 1990s.

Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

<http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html>

Abbott, Edith. Papers

Burgess, Ernest W. Papers

Ogburn, William Fielding. Papers

Znaniecki, Florian. Papers

Subject Headings

- Keen, Mike Forrest
- United States. Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Frankfurt school of sociology
- Sociology -- United States -- History -- 20th century
- Sociologists -- Political activity -- United States
- Sociologists -- United States -- History -- 20th century

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