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Abstract: Minutes, correspondence, notes, manuscripts, gay and lesbian studies coursework, organizations' publicity material, photographs, financial records, and other material, 1946-1987, from writer and gay historian Gary L. Steele. The bulk of the materials is coursework for a college course "Homosexuality and Culture," which he developed and taught at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) in 1980; materials from his work with a Los Angeles chapter of the Gay Academic Union; and editorial content from Frontiers magazine, for which he served as editor in the early 1980s.

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Biography
Gary Steele was born on October 12, 1943 in Wichita, Kansas to his mother, Wauneta Bolton. At an early age he and his mother moved to Los Angeles, California. In 1963, Steele graduated with a bachelor's degree in Political Science from University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) where he also attained his master's degree (1965), worked as faculty advisor to gay student groups, taught gay studies classes, and was national president of the Gay Academic Student Union.

In the late 1970s, Steele became supervisor of Information Services at the Gay and Lesbian Community Service Center. In 1979, the International Gay and Lesbian Archives was incorporated and Steele joined their board of directors, later serving as board president for two years. During this time Steele also began writing book reviews for the Los Angeles Times. In 1981, upon the establishment of Frontiers magazine, Steele became a contributing writer. In his first year at Frontiers, Steele became the publication's editor and remained in that position until 1984 when he resigned to pursue new employment. He continued to contribute to Frontiers political column until his health began to fail. Steele died of heart failure on September 19, 1987 at the age of 43 in Los Angeles, California.

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Arrangement
The collection is divided into the following series:
Series 1. Gary Steele papers
Series 2. Frontiers administrative records and photographs

Separated Materials
The following have been separated to the ONE Archives periodicals:
The Blue Book (Los Angeles), Fall/Winter Edition 1979
Booked for Brunch? [A Different Light Bookstore newsletter], 1984-1988
Celebration Theatre newsletter, 1985
Commonground: A Publication of Commonground Women's Community Center, Vol. 1, Iss. 1 (March 1983)
Freeway LA, Newsletter of Dignity/LA, December 1982
Gay Academic Union newsletters, 1981-1985
Into the Courts: The Newsletter of the National Gay Rights Advocates, Summer 1985
Off the Streets [Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services newsletter], Summer 1987
Open Forum [ACLU of Southern California newsletter], Vol. 59, No. 10 (1982)
Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays newsletters, 1979-1983
Reach [Youth Department of the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center], 1984
The Triangle Project Newsletters, 1986-1987
The following have been separated to ONE Archives' library:
Carpenter, Edward, Intermediate Types Among Primitive Folk, Mitchell Kennerly (New York, 1914)
City of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Sexual Preference Study, November 1976
Portland Town Council, A Legislative Guide to Gay Rights, July 1977
One half box (0.5 linear ft.) of material related to the International Gay and Lesbian Archives has been separated from the collection and placed with the International Gay and Lesbian Archives Records, Coll2012-002.

Related Materials
International Gay and Lesbian Archives Records, Coll2012-002, ONE National Gay and Lesbian Archives, Los Angeles, California

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Gay and lesbian writers
Gays in higher education
Gay and lesbian studies
Gay Academic Union
Frontiers Publishing

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Arrangement
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Income tax returns 1982-1984
Index cards Undated
Journal 1980
KXR 910 - Ventura County 1977-1983
Mailing list 1979
Manuscripts, others 1982-1983
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Scope and Contents
Includes images of Gary Steele at a demonstration with Morris Kight and Dave Johnston; Steele with unidentified individuals; Jim Kepner; Alliance for Gay Artists; Rock Hudson, Jose Martinez, David Wise and Richard Simmons; motion picture publicity stills; Tom Anthony Precision Driving Team; Steve Schulte; Christi Kissell, and others.

Political Passion, by Loye 1974-1976
Seven Tomorrows book review and photocopy 1982
Southern California Harvey Milk Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club 1982-1986
Stonewall Democratic Club 1983-1985
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Gay and Lesbian Media Coalition 1984

Frontiers administrative records and photographs

Scope and Contents
This series comprises photographs, negatives, and administrative records from Frontiers magazine, particularly during the years 1982-1987 when Steele served as editor.

Arrangement
Administrative records are at the beginning, followed by photographs and negatives which are arranged in chronological order.

Administrative records 1982-1987

Garner, James; Preston, James; Andrews, Julie; Victor / Victoria 1982

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From Frontiers May 6-20, 1982, p.18; also Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.11.

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| Box, Folder 7 | Geller, Lester Allan, suspect in crimes of violence against gay men 1982  
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| Box, Folder 8 | Kight, Morris 1982  
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| Box, Folder 9 | Ward, Bob 1982  
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From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.15. |
| Box 5, Folder 20 | **LA Body and Health; Richard Grossi and Joel Wachs (Los Angeles City Council) 1982**  
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| Box 5, Folder 21 | **Kern River Trip 1982**  
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From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.22. |
| Box 5, Folder 22 | **Christian, Meg, Cris Williamson 1982**  
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From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.25. |
| Box 5, Folder 23 | **Near, Holly 1982 - 1983**  
General  
From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.25, 29, 32; also Feb. 3-17, 1983, p.33, 35. |
| Box 5, Folder 24 | **Radjic, Rick; Johnstone, David "Michelangelo's Models" 1982**  
General  
| Box 5, Folder 25 | **Schreiber, Catherine; Nelson, Jessica 1982**  
General  
From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.27. |
| Box 5, Folder 26 | **Moshereece, Hilary 1982**  
General  
From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.27. |
| Box 5, Folder 27 | **"Midsummer Night's Sex Comedy," Woody Allen 1982**  
General  
Box 5, Folder 28  
*The World According to Garp 1982*  
General  
From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.29.

Box 5, Folder 29  
*Mahon, Tim, Artist 1982*  
General  
From Frontiers Aug. 5-19, 1982, p.32.

Box 5, Folder 30  
*Fairbain, Ned, of Now Relations 1982*  
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*Greg's Blue Dot Ad 1982-1983*  
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From Frontiers October 28 - November 11, 1982 front cover inset and p.15, 19.

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