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Abstract: This collection contains materials related to the life and work of Carl Gustav Jung, a Swiss psychologist who founded the field of analytical psychology. Materials include correspondence, photographs, articles, obituaries, clippings, speeches, magazines, and pamphlets created and/or published between 1909 and 1992. The bulk of the materials date from the 1920s to the early 1990s.
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Biography/Administrative History
Carl Gustav Jung was born on July 26, 1875 in Kesswil, Switzerland to parents Paul and Emilie. He attended the University of Basel from 1895 to 1900 and received his M.D. from the University of Zurich in 1902. He married Emma Rauschenbach in 1903 and together they raised five children. He joined the staff at Burgholzli Asylum shortly after completing his M.D. and began to develop the idea of “complexes” to explain patients’ emotionally-charged responses to certain stimulus words. It was during this time that he also began to study Freud’s work and became a close colleague of the elder psychologist. This collaboration and friendship lasted five years (1907-1912), but eventually ended because of temperamental differences but also fundamental differences in theory and viewpoint. Free to distinguish himself from Freud, Jung developed some of his best known work during the period between 1914 and 1940. In 1921 he published Psychological Types in which he discussed his concept of introversion and extroversion as a way to classify people who exhibit either outward-looking or inward-looking characteristics. He also developed the idea of the “collective unconscious” and proposed that certain universal symbols which appear across cultures and throughout history are drawn from this collective reservoir of the psyche and expressed through symbolic means such as dance, art, dreams, etc. During the 1930s-1950s Jung traveled widely and studied cultures across the globe. His travels informed many of his publications, including Modern Man in Search of a Soul (1933) and The Undiscovered Self (1957), in addition to many others. During this time he also taught psychology at the Federal Polytechnical University in Zurich (1933-1941) and medical psychology at the University of Basel (1943). He continued to write and see patients well into his seventies. Over the span of his life, Jung contributed many key theories and ideas which continue to inform psychoanalytic theory and practice today including complex, archetype, shadow, individuation, and personality typology, to name just a few. Jung died in his home in Zurich on June 6, 1961.
Scope and Content of Collection

This collection contains materials related to the life and work of Carl Gustav Jung, a Swiss psychologist who founded the field of analytical psychology. This collection documents Jung’s personal and professional life, his wide network of friends and colleagues, and his lifelong scholarly interests and pursuits. Materials include correspondence, photographs, articles, obituaries, clippings, speeches, magazines, and pamphlets created and/or published between 1909 and 1992. The bulk of the materials date from the 1920s to the early 1990s. In addition to the main collection, the Archive also maintains a C.G. Jung Reference Collection (Box 5). The Reference Collection contains general materials related to Jung’s life and work, compiled by the Archive. Materials are added regularly.

Indexing Terms

Jung, C.G. (Carl Gustav), 1875-1961
Jung, Emma
Wolff, Toni
Goodrich, Chauncey Shafter, 1920-
Kroeber, A.L. (Alfred Louis), 1876-1960
Harding, M. Esther (Mary Esther), 1888-1971
Freud, Sigmund, 1856-1939
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