J.T. Fraser Personal Papers and Collection of International Society for the Study of Time Records MS109

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Language of Material: German
Physical Description: 3.0 Boxes
Date (inclusive): 1958-2009
Abstract: This collection contains the personal papers of J.T. Fraser and records of the International Society for the Study of Time, which he founded.
Creator: Fraser, J. T. (Julius Thomas), 1923-2010
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Acquisition Information
Collection Description
The collection consists of records of the International Society for the Study of Time (ISST) that J. T. Fraser collected; Fraser founded the society in 1966. The collection also contains personal materials of Mr. Fraser, often interspersed with materials relating to the work of the International Society for the Study. For example, Box 1, Folder 4, contains correspondence between George Ford and Fraser concerning the ISST but also personal cards. Other personal materials of Fraser include an award-winning paper that he wrote as an undergraduate (Box 3, Folder 1) and his patents (Box 2, Folder 6). Important International Society for the Study of Time records include drafts of the constitution (Box 1, Folder 7) and records of its reorganization in Box 3, Folder 1. There are also some group photographs of ISST meetings (eg, Box 2, Folder 1). Materials include incoming and outgoing correspondence (both copies and originals), hard copies of e-mails, photographs, ISST newsletters and minutes, journals, and biographies of J. T. Fraser. The dates of the materials span the years from 1958 through 2009.
The materials were pulled from the original folders in which Fraser housed them; most of these folders had titles assigned by Fraser. In the collection guide the titles are recorded at the beginning of an entry in the description field and are followed by a colon.

J. T. Fraser Biography
J. T. (Julius Thomas) Fraser (1923-2010), a social scientist, was born in Budapest, Hungary, and lived there until immigrating to the United States after World War II. He attended Cooper Union in New York City and worked as a research scientist at General Precision Laboratory in Pleasantville, New York.
Fraser received his Ph.D. from the University of Hannover in 1969; his dissertation built upon his previous work on concepts and hierarchies of time. These themes, interest, and research had already led him to found in 1966 the International Society for the Study of Time, whose mission is "to foster the interdisciplinary study of time."
Over the next four decades, Fraser authored numerous works, including Of time. Passion, and Knowledge (1975; second edition 1990), and The Genesis and Evolution of Time: a Critique of Interpretations in Physics (1982). These works reflected his belief that the "study" of time should be interdisciplinary.
His journal Kronoscope, a Brill publication and a child of the International Society for the Study of Time, also evidenced this interdisciplinary approach, for the journal "invites critical contributions from all disciplines."
J. T. Fraser died in 2010, acknowledged as a giant in the field that he pioneered, the study of time.

Arrangement
This small collection has no series, and its original order was not clear on receipt of the materials. It is arranged in three archival document boxes; each folder in the boxes contains the material originally housed in a folder by J. T. Fraser. His folder titles (when applicable) begin each entry in the contents field and are followed by a colon.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

International Society for the Study of Time.
Space and Time
Space and Time -- Congresses

Box and Folder List 1958-2009

Language of Material: English
Physical Description: 3.0 Boxes

Box-folder 1:1-2  
Macey, Sam: Correspondence and hard copies of e-mails from J. T. Fraser to Sam Macey re publications of Sam Macey, International Society for the Study of Time, and *Kronoscope*, periodical of the International Society for the Study of Time. 1977-2005

Physical Description: 2.0 Folders

Box-folder 1:3  

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 1:4  
Ford, George: Incoming and outgoing correspondence, including to and from J. T. Fraser; newspaper clippings (photocopies); personal cards. 1967-1997 (dates broken)

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 1:5  
Michon: International Society for the Study of Time outgoing correspondence, memorandum, and meeting points; hardcopies of e-mails; John Michon biography. 1973-2002 (dates broken)

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 1:6  

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 1:7  

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 2:1  

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 2:2  
Group photograph of attendees at International Society for the Study of Time conference. 2010

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder
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Collection of International Society
for the Study of Time Records ...

Box-folder 2:3  "Founders" Columns and Christmas Circulars: Rough drafts of columns by J. T. Fraser; hard copies of e-mails to J. T. Fraser from fellow members of the International Society for the Study of Time. 1974-2006 (dates broken)
Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

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Box-folder 3:3  Lestienne, Remy: Correspondence (copies) and hardcopies of e-mails re work of Remy Lestienne with International Society for the Study of Time. 1999-2008 (dates broken)
Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Language of Material: German
Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 3:5  Park, David: Incoming and outgoing correspondence (copies) with J. T. Fraser re personal matters and study of time. 1964-2007 (dates broken)
Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Box-folder 3:7  TIMELINE: Hardcopies of e-mail re "TIMELINE" database. 2004-2005
Physical Description: 1.0 Folder

Physical Description: 2.0 Folders
Map-case Folder

**Black and white group photograph of International Society for the Study of Time conference participants. 1986**

*Physical Description:* 1.0 Folder