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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Stern, Fritz, 1926-2016
<b>Title:</b>	Fritz Stern papers
<b>ID:</b>	5477081
<b>ID:</b>	MS#1203
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1879-2011
<b>Physical Description:</b>	70 linear feet 37 record storage cartons, 23 manuscript boxes, 1 large record storage carton, 11 Home Depot boxes, 1 plastic bin, 5 boxes off-site, and 4 folders in the general manuscript collection
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Fritz Stern Papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

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Prominent historian best known for two highly influential books: "The Politics of Cultural Despair" (1961), which traced the origins of Nazi antisemitism through a study of three far-right authors in late 19th-century Germany, and "Gold and Iron: Bismarck, Bleichröder and the Building of the German Empire" (1977), which traced the relationship between the founder of imperial Germany and his banker.

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Restricted personal correspondence, personal correspondence, annotated carbon copy of book chapter, annotated copy of Rembrandt als Erzieher, and miscellaneous correspondence, 1880-1890s, from Munster, German ambassador to London. (0.46 linear foot).

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Three letters from Albert Einstein to Rudolph Stern, 1940s.

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One document box containing 4 folders of correspondence (one folders contains material relating to his parents).

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Box of correspondence of his parents with his father's sister, Lotte.

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Box of correspondence with students as well as C.A. and R.B. Ster files.

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Correspondence re. ""Gold and Iron"".

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Talk by Eric R. Kandel "In Celebration of the Stern Dynasty".

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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- Germany -- History
- Personal papers
- Historians
- Stern, Fritz, 1926-2016
- Moeller van den Bruck, Arthur, 1876-1925