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## Summary Information

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<b>Title:</b>	Temple-Lilley Special Committee records
<b>ID:</b>	8004355
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<b>Date [bulk]:</b>	1968-1969
<b>Physical Description:</b>	4.41 linear feet 10 document boxes 1 half sized document box
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Abstract:</b>	Minutes, memoranda and other materials written by and for the Columbia University Board of Trustees Special Committee formed in May 1968.

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Temple-Lilley Special Committee Records; Box and Folder (if known); University Archives, Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

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After the Columbia University student protests of April and May 1968, the Board of Trustees appointed a six-member Special Committee to study the structure of the university and recommend changes. The Committee met often during the next year, and examined and produced proposals for changes, such as the establishment of a University Senate.

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## Summary

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The subject matter concerns the restructuring of the university by the Special Committee of the Board of Trustees. It includes memoranda, statements and reports from individual members of the University community as well as various working groups and committee among the faculty, students, alumni, and outside consultants. There are published reports of reform proposals at other universities, clippings from the student newspaper, the Columbia Spectator, and correspondence to and from members of the Special Committee and other University officials.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged in four series.

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## Administrative Information

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No additional materials expected

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Related Material-- At Columbia**

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- College students -- Political activity -- New York (State) -- New York
- Draft resisters -- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Social movements
- Student-administrator relationships
- Student movements -- New York (State) -- New York
- Articles
- Correspondence
- Cordier, Andrew W (Andrew Wellington), 1901-1975
- Kirk, Grayson L. (Grayson Louis), 1903-1997
- Lilley, Robert Dodd, 1912-1986
- Mead, Margaret, 1901-1978
- Petersen, William E., 1906-1985
- Temple, Alan H
- Alumni Federation of Columbia University
- Columbia Daily Spectator (Organization)
- Columbia University. Students' Afro-American Society
- Columbia University -- Alumni and alumnae -- Societies, etc.
- Columbia University -- Students
- Columbia University -- Student strike, 1968
- Columbia University -- Students -- Political activity
- Columbia University -- Administration
- Columbia University -- History
- Student Coordinating Committee
- Students for a Democratic Society (U.S.)
- Students for a Reconstructed University a.k.a. SRU

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## Collection Inventory

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### Series I: Committee Meeting Minutes, 1968-1969

#### Scope and Contents

This series contains the minutes of the meetings of the Special Committee from 1968 through 1969.

Title/Description	Instances	
Minutes, 1968-1969	box 1	folder 1 to 2

Physical Description: (2 Folders)

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## Series II: Memoranda, Drafts, Reports, 1968-1971

### Scope and Contents

This series contains documents prepared for and by the committee while it considered proposals for restructuring the University. They include statements and reports from both individual and groups of students and faculty, alumni, and outside consultants.

Title/Description	Instances	
Memoranda requested by the Special Committee, 1968 May-September , compiled by Stuart Glass, Executive Director of the Committee., 1968 May-September <u>Physical Description:</u> (4 Folders)	box 1	folder 3 to 6
<b>Scope and Contents</b> (Includes original and one duplicate copy)		
Memoranda collected for the Special Committee, 1968 May-August <u>Physical Description:</u> (2 Folders)	box 2	folder 1 to 2
Memoranda to, from, and collected by William E. Petersen, Chairman, Columbia University Board of Trustees,, 1968	box 2	folder 3
Memoranda on proposals for restructuring the university, 1968-1969 <u>Physical Description:</u> (3 Folders)	box 2	folder 4 to 6
Memoranda on proposals for a University Senate, 1968-1969 <u>Physical Description:</u> (6 Folders)	box 3	folder 1 to 6
Records of the University Council, 1969	box 3	folder 7
Five Interim Reports, 1968-1970 <u>Physical Description:</u> (6 Folders)	box 4	folder 1 to 6
Cresap, McCormick and Paget studies and reports on the University, 1969	box 4	folder 7
Cresap, McCormick and Paget studies and reports, 1968-1969 <u>Physical Description:</u> (6 Folders)	box 5	folder 1 to 6
<b>Scope and Contents</b> (includes duplicate copies of drafts and final reports)		
General Memoranda, 1968-1969		

<u>Physical Description:</u> (8 Folders)	box 6	folder 1 to 8
General Memoranda, 1969-1971	box 7	folder 1 to 5
<u>Physical Description:</u> (5 Folders)		

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### Series III: Subject Files, 1968-1971

#### Scope and Contents

This series contains memos and other documents that were arranged by subject in University offices.

Title/Description	Instances	
General, undated, 1968-1969	box 8	folder 1
Committee on Legal Affairs, 1969	box 8	folder 2
Cresap, McCormick and Paget, 1968-1970	box 8	folder 3
<b>Scope and Contents</b>		
(administrative records)		
Outside Recommendations, 1968	box 8	folder 4
Student Statements to the Committee, 1968	box 8	folder 5
Student Representatives, 1968-1970	box 8	folder 6
<b>Scope and Contents</b>		
(administrative records)		
Student Representatives, 1968-1970	box 8	folder 7
<b>Scope and Contents</b>		
(financial records)		
Thacher, Proffitt, Prizer, Crawley & Wood (Legal Advisors to Committee), 1968-1971	box 8	folder 8 to 9
<u>Physical Description:</u> (2 Folders)		
Trustee Ballot, 1969	box 8	folder 10

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### Series IV: Correspondence, 1968-1971



**Scope and Contents**

This series consists of correspondence to and from members of the Special Committee as well as University officials concerning the student disturbances of 1968 and ideas about the University's future.

Title/Description	Instances	
General, 1968	box 9	folder 1
<b>Scope and Contents</b>		
(mostly with alumni and alumni groups responding to the events of spring 1968)		
General, 1969	box 9	folder 2
Files of William E. Petersen, President of Columbia Board of Trustees, 1968-1970	box 9	folder 3 to 6
<u>Physical Description:</u> (4 Folders)		
Gymnasium Construction, 1969-1970	box 9	folder 7
<b>Scope and Contents</b>		
(Letter from Andrew W. Cordier dated March 12, 1968 is more like March 12, 1969 based on the fact that it is signed "Acting President," a position that Cordier did not assume until August 1968)		
Interim Report 1, 1968-1969	box 9	folder 8
Interim Report 2, 1968-1969	box 9	folder 9
Interim Report 3, 1969	box 10	folder 1
Interim Report 4, 1969-1971	box 10	folder 2
Trustee Committee on Community Affairs, 1971	box 10	folder 3
Correspondence		
1968 May-June	box 10	folder 4
1968 June-July	box 10	folder 5
1968 August	box 10	folder 6
1968 September	box 10	folder 7
1968 October	box 10	folder 8
1968 November-December	box 11	folder 1
1969 January-March	box 11	folder 2
1969 April-June	box 11	folder 3
1969 September-1970 July	box 11	folder 4

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