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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

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### Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

### Abstract

The Nicholas C. Mullins Papers consists primarily of material concerning a ten year research project studying sociology citations in international journals. The collection includes working papers, correspondence, grant materials, and audio interviews from the 1960s-1988.

### Creator

Mullins, Nicholas C.

### Extent

46.2 Cubic Feet 33 boxes

### Physical Location

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## Source of Acquisition

The bulk of the collection (30 boxes) was donated to Special Collections in 1988. A single folder of floppy disks was donated in 1991, and additional box was received in 2009.

## Processing Information

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## Preferred Citation

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# Biographical Note

Nicholas C. Mullins (1939-1988) was a professor of Sociology at Virginia Tech from 1984 to 1988. Prior to joining the faculty at Tech, he taught sociology at Indiana University from 1971 to 1984. Mullins was an internationally recognized scholar in field of social theory and science technology and knowledge, as well as a founding member, past president, and executive board member of the Society for the Social Studies of Science.

# Scope and Content

This collection consists primarily of material concerning a ten year research project studying sociology citations in international journals. A majority of the collection contains working papers and articles by other scholars. Other materials include correspondence, papers relating to professional organizations and memberships, grant paperwork, audio tapes of interviews, and microfiche copies of research.

# Separated Materials

Two books were removed from the collection and were cataloged for the Rare Book Collection:

- China: 7000 Years of Discovery. China Science and Technology Palace Preparatory Committee, 1982.
- Testing Theories of Scientific Change. 1986.

# Keywords

Faculty and staff

Science and Technology

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## Arrangement

The collection is in the original order in which it was received in 1988. Additional materials received in 2009 are located in Box 31. Data tapes were removed from Box 13 and are located in Box 32. Audio cassettes, floppy disks, and films were removed from Boxes 13, 23, and 30 and are located in Box 33.

## Description of Subordinate Components

**Working papers by Mullins et al.; Molecular collisions; Viral genetics; Clusters/Clusterings**  
box 1

**Working papers by Mullins et al.; Mullins's dissertation; Research proposals; Lecture notes**  
box 2

**Citation reports, reviews, and articles; Faculty reports; Bernal Prize correspondence**  
box 3

**Thesis by Mullins; Interviews; Yearbook; Research on citations; Computer programming manuals; Atomic collisions**  
box 4

**Copies of "Invisible Colleges as Science Elites"; Working papers by Mullins and others; Kreps approach; Structural Analysis**  
box 5

**Working papers by others**  
box 6

**Working papers by others; Epinephrine; Insulin; Leukemia; RNA; Phenotyping**  
box 7

**Working papers by Mullins et al.; funding information; VPI course listing; NIMH stats; ASA information; STS Committee info**  
box 8

**Working papers by others; Alphabetized index cards of bibliographical information**  
box 9

**Directory of ASA Members; ASA Constitution; Job applications; Mullins's Vitae**  
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**Working papers by Mullins et al.; Nobel Prize winners and research**  
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**Dot-matrix printer paper; Mullin's Vitae; working papers.**  
box 13

**Articles ranging from the Humanities to Sciences by others; Sociology department notes**  
**box 14**

**Working papers/articles by others**  
**box 15**

**Working papers by Mullins et al.; Nobel Prize articles; Interview Sheets**  
**box 16**

**Working papers by others; dot-matrix printer printouts**  
**box 17**

**Software and computer lab information; soccer magazines and club information; sociology syllabi and teaching guides**  
**box 18**

**"Structure and Organization" rejection by NSF; NSF Proposal; Peer review papers**  
**box 19**

**Correspondences between Mullins et al.; RNA; Viruses; Leukemia**  
**box 20**

**Mullins's VPI Study Notes; NSF Papers**  
**box 21**

**Newspaper clippings on computers; computer receipts and paper printouts**  
**box 22**

**Working papers and photocopies of papers by others**  
**box 23**

**NSF Proposal; Working papers by Mullins**  
**box 24**

**Institutional Plans for ANL; ASA Network Sessions; Computer and Social Sciences**  
**box 25**

**"Testing Theories of Scientific Change"; Annual Report for the Consortium of Social Science Associations; China: 7000 Years of Discovery; Computer and programming manuals**  
**box 26**

**Alphabetized index cards of bibliographical information for Mullins's articles**  
**box 27**

**Articles by Mullins; Newspapers and magazines about IBM computers; Data sources for Mullins' studies; articles on computer software; Articles by Robert Mullins**  
**box 28**

**Alphabetized index cards of bibliographical information for Mullins's articles**  
**box 29**

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**box 30**

**Southeastern Climate Review; Computer Consultancy; Working papers by Mullins et al.**

**box 31**

**Data tapes**

**box 32**

**Audio tapes of Mullins' interviews with others; microfilm rolls of research; microfiche of papers by others and grant materials; floppy disks**

**box 33**