

Fritz, Kurt von; Papers

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Summary Information

Repository: M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives

Title: Kurt von Fritz Papers

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Date [inclusive]: 1935-1980

Physical Description: 0.1 cubic ft.

Physical Location: The materials are located onsite in the department.

Language of the German, German.

Material:

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[Collection]:

Abstract: Kurt von Fritz was a professor of classics at the University of Munich

and at Columbia University. This collection contains German autobiographical notes and materials, "Die Grund, die zu meiner Emigration", corrected copies of letters, and photograph, 1970-1980s.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Kurt von Fritz, 1935-1980. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Fritz Papers).

Biographical / Historical

Karl Albert Kurt von Fritz was born on August 25, 1900 in Metz, France. Fritz was educated at Freiburg im Bresigau and graduated high school in 1918. Fritz earned his doctorate from Sinope in 1923 and moved to Munich, Germany to study Democritus, a Greek philosopher and in 1933, he was appointed professorship at the University of Rostock. Fritz refused to take the oath of service to Adolf Hitler in 1934 and was forced to retire.

In 1936, Fritz went to Oxford and lectured at the Corpus Christi College and later that year he moved to the United States where he taught at Reed College, in Portland Oregon. Fritz then taught at Columbia

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University until he went back to Germany where he taught at the University of Munich from 1958-1968. While teaching, Fritz wrote publications on Greek philosophy, science, and literature.

Fritz was a member of the Bavarian Academy of the Sciences and the Austrian Academy of the Sciences. Fritz also received the Sigmund Freud Prize from the German Academy for Language and Poetry in 1981. Fritz was married to Luise Elckemeyer and died on July 16, 1985 in Feldafing, Germany.

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Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

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Processing Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

The provenance of this collection is unknown.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Fritz, Kurt von, 1900-1985
- Autobiographies
- Exiles -- Germany.
- Exiles' writings, German.