

# Preliminary Guide to the Georges Claude May Papers

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**CREATOR:** May, Georges, 1920-

**TITLE:** Georges Claude May papers

**DATES:** 1963-1981

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1 linear foot

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers are mostly comprised of administrative materials, speeches, and personal files, and document a small portion of Georges May's professional life, including his involvement with the Fourth International Congress on the Enlightenment, held at Yale in 1975.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

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## Biographical / Historical

Georges Claude May, specialist in French literature, was appointed to the Yale faculty in 1946, and was named dean of Yale College in 1963. He later served as provost of the university from 1979-1981.

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b. 1	Fourth International Congress on the Enlightenment	1975
b. 1	Henri Peyre professorship	1979-1981
b. 1	Speeches	1963-1976
b. 1	Personal	1970-1971, 1979-1981
b. 1	Clippings and correspondence on resigning from Yale College deanship	1971
b. 1	Clippings and correspondence on accepting and resigning Yale University provostship	1979-1981
b. 1	Photographs	undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Names**

May, Georges, 1920-

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