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**Inventory of the  
James M. Gillies fonds**

**Inventory #F0310**

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**Fonds/Collection Number:** F0310

**Title:** James M. Gillies fonds

**Dates:** 1964-1971

**Extent:** 5.0 m of textual records

**Biographical Sketch/  
Administrative History:** James McPhail Gillies (1924- ), educator, author, and politician, was the first dean of the Faculty of Administrative Studies at York University, 1966-1972, and served as University vice president, 1966-1969. Prior to that time he had been on the faculty of the University of California at Los Angeles, 1951-1965. While in Los Angeles, he served as vice chairman of the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles and other boards. Gillies has been a director of several industrial and commercial companies. He was chairman of the Ontario Economic Council, 1971-1972. Elected to the House of Commons in 1972, Gillies served as a member of the Progressive Conservative caucus and as that party's Energy and Finance critic during his seven years in the Commons. He resigned his seat in 1979 and served as senior policy advisor to the Prime Minister (Clark), 1979-1980. In the latter year he returned to York to take up responsibilities as professor of policy studies and director of the Max Bell Business Government Studies Programme in the Faculty of Administrative Studies. Gillies is the author of studies on metropolitan land use, industrial policy and economic questions, including 'Boardroom renaissance: power, morality and performance in the modern corporation,' 'Where business fails,' (1981), 'Facing reality: consultation, consensus and making economic policy for the 21st century,' (1986), and others.

**Scope and Content:** The fonds consists James Gillies' records pertaining to his activities as educator, author and politician. It contains personal records.

**Restrictions on Access and Use:** Access is restricted.

**Access and Use:** Written permission to view closed files must be obtained from James M. Gillies, and be directed to the Archivist, York University.

**Finding Aid:** File list available.

**URL of Finding Aid:** <http://archivesfa.library.yorku.ca/submissions/fonds/ON00370-f0000310.htm>

**Accruals:** The fonds comprises the following accession: 1975-005. Further accruals are expected.

**Related Records:** See York University, Faculty of Administrative Studies fonds (F0054), Records of the Office of the Dean, for material relating to Gillies period as a Dean.

**Provenance Access Points:** Gillies, James M., 1942-

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