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Freedom rides, sit-ins, communes, student protests, the Vietnam War and the draft, the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King, Jr., Black Power, the women's movement, Free Speech, the Stonewall riots, Woodstock, the Summer of Love . . . the sixties tested and shaped the core values of America well beyond that decade. Featuring tens of thousands of historic documents and primary sources, this *semantically indexed* and powerfully searchable online collection provides a vivid window into the key events, people, debates, and movements of the 1960s.

As the sixties moves from memory to history, this collection captures the artifacts, written and oral accounts, and historic documents of one of the most pivotal decades in American political and cultural life. At completion, *The Sixties* will contain more than 150,000 pages representing a variety of viewpoints across the political spectrum. Materials include:

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- Archival content from The Kenneth Spencer Research Library, University of Kansas, including materials from the Wilcox Collection of Contemporary Political Movements and the February Sisters Papers
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- Oral histories and diaries of hemp pickers, conscientious objectors, political activists, soldiers, female reporters in Vietnam, and others
- Previously unpublished writings from political activists, such as Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) member Jack Minnis and Albany Movement participant Blanton Hall
- Diaries, letters, and memoirs from key sixties figures, such as Elaine Brow, Angela Davis, Medgar Evers, James Farmer, Abbie Hoffman, and Jerry Rubin
- Court documents, government reports, and other official publications, including eyewitness accounts and personal testimonies, such as the Justice Department report on the FBI investigation into Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination; a handbook of the civil rights of Native Americans in 1972, the year before the confrontation at Wounded Knee; court documents from Muhammad Ali's conscientious objector trial; and wrenching citizen testimony about civil rights violations, voting rights violations, and police brutality
- Political and activist ephemera, including position papers, newsletters, and handbills, from the left and the right
- Memorabilia, including posters, pamphlets, political buttons, ads, photographs, and military recruitment brochures
- Important underground newspapers, including About Face, AIM, The American Expatriate in Canada, As You Were, Berkeley Barb, Booklegger Magazine, Bragg Briefs, Despite Everything, Free Student, GI Press Service, Left Face, The Paper, The Partisan, Rough Draft, Sanity (Canada), and Vietnam GI

The broad range of themes covered includes civil rights; student activism; the Vietnam War; radical movements on the right and the left; law and government; the women's rights movement and second-wave feminism; gay and lesbian rights; the environmental movement; the counter culture; sexual revolution; mass and underground media; arts, music, and leisure; and scientific and technological change.

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