Searching the Conservation Collection in the Research Library at the Getty Research Institute

The Conservation Collection in the Research Library at the Getty Research Institute contains approximately 55,000 titles, making it the largest conservation-specific research library collection and one of only a handful of research library collections worldwide that focus on the discipline of conservation.

The Conservation Collection collocates research resources on the following topics into a single “virtual” collection:

- Movable cultural property management, conservation, and protection
- Built heritage management, conservation, and protection
- Archaeological conservation
- Conservation science and scientific methods and technologies used to assess and preserve cultural property
- Materials and materials science
- Education and training methods for cultural property management, conservation, and protection
- Policy and management issues for cultural property protection and conservation

Begin searching the Conservation Collection at www.getty.edu/research by navigating to the Library Catalog from the “Search Tools and Databases” menu.
Within the Library Catalog, select “Advanced Search”.

**Search by Topic**

If you want to browse all titles in the Conservation Collection published on a specific topic:

On the first line select Subject or Any Field and “contains” and type your topic. On the second line, select Any Field and “is (exact)” and enter “conservation collection”. Using the phrase “conservation collection” will limit the search and will retrieve research resources that contain content of interest to the conservation community.
**Search by publication date**
If you want to browse all titles in the Conservation Collection by publication date, select a date range from the Publication Date dropdown menu or select a specific Start and End Date. Once you have set the date range limit, select Any Field and “is (exact)” and enter “conservation collection”.

These searches will result in a list of titles for you to browse that can be further refined by Availability, Collections, Authors/Creators, Creation Dates, Subjects, Resource Type, Form/Genre, Languages, Source/Topical Collection, Location, New Books, and Research Projects.