
Part I: A week-long course at the Library of Congress taught by the Library’s renowned Preservation Directorate staff.

Learn from the experts at the oldest and largest U.S. library preservation operation! This program will cover basic theory and practice with a view to applying the knowledge to your organization’s situation. Lectures and hands-on practica will introduce you to:

- Preservation management: putting mission and vision statements into practice; setting priorities and cost-benefit analysis based on value, use and risk
- Preservation planning: risk assessments and surveys; focus on standards, best practices, policies, training
- Preservation controls: environmental risk evaluation, monitoring, and controls
- Emergency planning and response: disaster mitigation, disaster salvage and recovery; Continuity of Operations Plans
- Collections care and conservation practice for books, paper, photographs and audiovisual materials; storage, including commercial housing, custom housing, and off-site solutions
- Reformatting: digital and analog conversion
- Digital preservation: sustainable, long-term preservation of digital assets
- Preservation research and testing: instrumental analysis and research at the Library of Congress
- Exhibitions in practice, based on preservation principles

Attendees will also tour the Library’s preservation facilities and network with colleagues on today’s preservation issues.

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