



Get help planning
your library's


future.

How can you responsibly reduce print collections?

Today's library users interact with information and library spaces in ways they haven't before. While they still come to the library for particular print materials, they also expect room for collaboration, quiet study, and other activities. You have an opportunity to adapt to these evolving needs without compromising the value of your local collections. You may be able to open more library space to meet specific needs by carefully planning a drawdown of low-use print titles. OCLC will help you understand how your collection overlaps with those of other libraries and relevant groups in order to maintain access and protect the scholarly record.

Access the experience and resources you need.

Our team can help you tackle big decisions about how to best use library space through expert advice and automated data-driven support. We've worked with more than 400 libraries, both individually and in groups, on deselection and shared print projects. We provide tools and services that help you manage and share your library's or group's print collections carefully and efficiently through visualization and interaction. Our GreenGlass tool, which works with all major ILSs, enables each library or group to define its own criteria for retention and deselection. We also help you make responsible acquisition decisions with a view of your complete shared print collection.



GreenGlass is a purpose-built, interactive application that allows you to explore your print collection and manage, share, archive, or remove print titles to transform valuable library space.

Manage your print collection.

Your users expect the library to serve as a place for collaboration and learning. By proactively managing the size of your print collection and providing alternate access for deselected titles, you can confidently ensure that your library meets all the needs of your users. **Together, we can reach this goal.**

Reach your strategic goals. We engage with you to fully understand the scope of your project, the problems you are aiming to solve, and the challenges you expect to face. We also want to understand what you consider to be a successful project outcome.

Visualize your collection. Using the GreenGlass collection visualization tool, we help you identify collection patterns by usage, subject, location, and publication and acquisition dates.

Compare your collection. Through our unique access to WorldCat®, we compare your existing collection to others locally and worldwide and help you understand where your collection overlaps with others. We also compare your titles to HathiTrust Digital Library resources and authoritative title lists so you can be sure you're maintaining access to the most important items as efficiently as possible.

Reclaim physical space. We'll help you use GreenGlass to compare various scenarios for storing, deselecting, or sharing items from your print collection to open library space for other priorities.

Understand your faculty's priorities. GreenGlass makes it easy to share your data and deselection analysis with faculty and administrative stakeholders to get their feedback on criteria and align decisions.



"Now we know ..."

"Instead of just saying, 'We think,' we were able to say, 'We know,' based on the scenarios that GreenGlass was able to do for us. When we made presentations to the faculty groups and to our student groups, we were able to talk with some certainty."

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Visit oclc.org/greenglass to learn more.

Learn how GreenGlass empowers libraries and groups to make evidence-based decisions about their print collections.

Because what is known must be shared.®

