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## Collection Summary

**Repository:** Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

**Creator:** Koempel, Leslie Alice, 1907-

**Title:** Leslie Koempel Papers

**Dates:** 1937-1972

**Quantity:** 20.5 cubic feet (25 boxes)

**Abstract:** Material relating to Koempel's work as a sociologist and a professor at Vassar College. Of particular interest is the data she compiled relating to education and housing in Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County.

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## Biographical Note

Leslie Alice Koempel (1907-1995) taught in the Sociology Department at Vassar College from 1946-1972. She did her undergraduate work at the University of California, and her doctoral work at Bryn Mawr. Before coming to Vassar, she taught at Skidmore, Rockford and Mount Holyoke colleges. Much of her work focused on Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County. She had a particular interest in education and housing.

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## Scope and Content Note

Survey data, correspondence, and reports relating to Koempel's work as a sociologist and a professor at Vassar College. Of particular interest is the data she compiled relating to education and housing in Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County.

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## Access and Use

### Access

Special permission is required for research using the raw survey data in this collection. The rest of the collection is open for research according to the [regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library](#) without any additional restrictions.

## Restrictions on Use

Permission to quote (publish) from unpublished or previously published material must be obtained as described in the [regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library](#).  
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## Related Material

### Related Materials

- Vassar College Field Work Records

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## Subject Headings

### Organizations:

- Vassar College. Department of Sociology

### Subjects:

- Education--New York (State)--Poughkeepsie
- Housing--New York (State)--Poughkeepsie

### Places:

- Poughkeepsie (N.Y.)--Statistics

### VCL Categories:

- Local History
- Vassar College

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## Encoding Information

Encoded by Laura Streett, June 2012.

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## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

Leslie Koempel Papers, Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries.

### Processing Information

Processed by Mark Seidl and Laura Streett, 2012. Last updated February 2013.

## Acquisition Information

Koempel's dissertation was given to the Library at an unknown date. The rest of the collection was transferred from a Vassar College storage area in 2012. [M2012-003]

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## Series List

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## Container List

### Series I. Subject Files, Biographical Material and Writings

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Box 17	Biography — Professional correspondence
Box 17	Biography — Personal correspondence
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Box 17	Random lectures and articles
Box 17	Miscellaneous
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- Box 18 Poughkeepsie Recreation Study, 1959
- Box 18 Poughkeepsie Riot of July 27-28, 1967
- Box 18 Do We Need a Community College in Dutchess County
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- Box 18 A Study of Newcomer Families in the Raymond Avenue School District, 1969
- Box 18 Women — Abortive Leslie Koempel study for AAUP
- Box 18 A Proposal for a Central Field Work office at Teachers College, Columbia University, 1955
- Box 18 The Coreyville Settlement: A Report to the West Mountain Society, 1959
- Box 18 Coreyville Settlement
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- Box 18 If an Unmarried Mother Consults Me, What Do I Do?
- Box 18 Social Myth as an Obstruction to Social Action, 1955
- Box 18 Introduction to Sociology — Merton, 1948
- Box 18 Understanding Human Nature
- Box 18 Depression — Caroline Bird
- Box 25 Miscellaneous City of Poughkeepsie reports

## **Series II. Survey Data [RESTRICTED]**

- Box 1 Poughkeepsie Land Use Survey, 1945 (2 folders)
- Box 1 Kingston Religious and Social Survey, 1948 (5 folders)
- Boxes 19-22 Kingston Religious and Social Survey, 1948 (survey cards)

- Box 1 Voluntary Associations in Poughkeepsie and Dutchess County, 1949 (3 folders)
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- Boxes 2-4 Survey of Job Experience and School Training of Poughkeepsie High School Students, 1949 (20 folders)
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- Boxes 4-5 Poughkeepsie Neighborhood Survey, 1950 (25 folders)
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- Box 24 Poughkeepsie Census Map, 1960
- Box 7 City of Poughkeepsie Survey, 1952 (5 folders)
- Box 25 Your City Government Wants to Know Survey, 1952 (12 folders)
- Boxes 7-8 Poughkeepsie Library Survey, 1953 (13 folders)
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