

Master of Library Science (MLS) Initial Certification Requirements

The Master of Library Science with Initial Certification provides course preparation in library science education. The program includes clinical experience, a comprehensive portfolio review, and leads to a master's degree and teaching in Library Science.

Note that all students must achieve 54 graduate credits and a minimum 3.0 overall GPA to graduate. The final GPA requirement for MLS Initial Certification is 3.0.

Required Foundation Core Courses – 30 credits

LLTC 500 Foundations of Information Science (3 credits)
LLTC 510 Information Resources and Services (3 credits)
LLTC 520 Resources for Children and Young Adults (3 credits)
LLTC 521 Technologies for the 21st Century Educator (3 credits)
LLTC 540 Management of Information & Technology Centers (3 credits)
LLTC 550 Collecting & Curating Print and Digital Resources (3 credits)
LLTC 560 Organization of Information, Metadata and Library Technologies (3 credits)
LLTC 574 Educational Program of the School Library Media Center (3 credits)
LLTC 575 Methods of Research (3 credits)
LLTC 585 Digital Portfolios (3 credits)

Professional Education Courses – 12 credits

EDUC 434 Instructional Methodology for English Learners (3 credits)
SPEE 500 Special Education in a Standards Aligned System (3 credits)
SPEE 516 Literacy Development & Instruction in Core & Intervention Areas Standards Aligned (3 credits)
Choose one of the following courses:
SPEE 514 Standards-Aligned Instruction for Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Classrooms (3 credits)
LLTC 517 Integrating Assistive Technology into the K-12 Curriculum (3 credits)

Clinical Experience Courses – 12 credits

LLTC 598 Clinical Experience and Practicum I (6 credits)
LLTC 599 Clinical Experience and Practicum II (6 credits)

Comprehensive Projects – Pass/Fail

Students will submit a comprehensive portfolio for review with a pass/fail option. Additionally, students are expected to take their Praxis exam for certification.

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Effective Semester: Fall 2022