



UNT | COLLEGE OF INFORMATION
Department of
Information Science

SCHOOL LIBRARIAN CERTIFICATION



100% Online



**Courses
offered every
semester**



**Faculty
mentoring**



**Professional
development
opportunities**

TEACHING AND LEARNING FOR ALL

School librarians are a vital part of the P-12 learning environment. They develop and deliver student-centered library programs and facilities, fulfilling leadership roles in reading and literacy development, instruction, integration of technology, school library management, collaboration with teachers, and engagement with the educational community.

The online certification program at UNT is ALA-accredited. The program instructs students to become leaders in integrating technology and information literacy in learning. Courses infuse practical learning experiences in order to prepare school librarians to transform teaching and learning in the P-12 learning environment.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

School librarian certification requirements vary from state to state, however completion of the required UNT courses is accepted in most states. Differences in requirements across states may include:

- Classroom teaching experience (Texas requires two years)
- State Exam (Texas requires TExES certification exam)
- Master's degree in any discipline
- 24 credit hours of coursework (available online at UNT) and 3 credit hours of practicum experience

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Coursework for the school librarian certification is offered entirely online. Certification courses are predetermined and consist of the following 9 courses or 27 credit hours:

- INFO 5001 - School Librarianship
- INFO 5720 - Instructional Materials Production & Use
- INFO 5208 - Learning Resources Organization & Media
- INFO 5405 - Collection Development & Analysis in School Libraries
- INFO 5420 - Literature for youth
- INFO 5050 - Trends & Practices in School Libraries
- INFO 5340 - Learning Resource Centers & Services
- INFO 5345 - School Library Program Development
- INFO 5090 - Practicum



Students pursuing the [M.S. in Library Science or Information Science](#) in addition to certification, will also need to take the three required core courses and one elective, in addition to the courses listed above. Master's students must also complete a Capstone Experience.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

1. Apply to the UNT Toulouse Graduate School:

- Complete the online application via ApplyTexas and pay the application fee.
- Submit transcripts from all colleges attended.

2. Apply to the Department of Information Science:

Complete the department's application and provide a resume/ CV.

*Applicants pursuing the M.S. degree with School Library Certification will also need to submit a statement of purpose and two letters of recommendation (in addition to the applications for admission and resume).

STUDENT RESOURCES



SCHOLARSHIPS

The Department of Information Science offers financial support and scholarship opportunities to recognize exceptional academic and creative accomplishments.



MENTORSHIP

The College of Information Mentorship Program connects students and industry experts, enabling students to network and enhance their professional knowledge and skills.



CAREER COACHING

The College of Information provides a dedicated career coach to help students prepare for the job market.

For information about the School Librarian Certification program:

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