

Youth Engagement: Information, Culture, and Community Pathway — Required and Recommended Courses

Sample job titles:

Children's Librarian; Early Literacy Librarian; Teen Librarian; Youth Librarian; Youth Services Coordinator; Youth Services Manager

REQUIRED MLIS CORE (13 CREDIT HOURS)		
LIS 60020	Information Organization	3
LIS 60030	People in the Information Ecology	3
LIS 60040	Information Institutions and Professions	3
LIS 60050	Research and Assessment in Library and Information Science	3
LIS 60280	Master's Portfolio in Library and Information Science	1

STRONGLY RECOMMENDED COURSES (9 CREDIT HOURS)		
LIS 60625	Engaging Young Children and Families	3
LIS 60626	Engaging Teens	3
LIS 60629	Engaging School Age Children	3

Additional Recommended Courses
(Choose 15 credit hours across these categories)

Youth-related electives		
LIS 60627	Art and Story: The Study of Picturebooks	3
LIS 60630	Reference Sources and Services for Youth	3
LIS 60675	Youth Literature in the Digital Realm	3
LIS 60677	Sexual and Gender Identity in Children's and Teen Literature	1
LIS 60692	Internship in Information and Cultural Heritage Institutions	2-3
LIS 61095	(Special Topic) Social Justice and Youth Engagement	3
LIS 61095	(Special Topic) International Children's Literature and Librarianship	3
LIS 61095	(Special Topic) Immersive Learning and Youth Engagement in Children's and Teen Literature	3

General Electives		
LIS 60401	Leadership in Libraries and Information Centers	3
LIS 60608	The Public Library	3
LIS 60609	Marketing the Library	3
LIS 60614	Collection Management in Libraries	3
LIS 60617	Information Literacy for Youth	3
LIS 60669	Information Services for Diverse Populations	3
UXD 60118	Accessibility Evaluation and Universal Design	3
LIS 61095	Building Community Engagement, Partnerships and Coalitions	1
LIS 61095	Trauma Informed Sources and Services in Information Settings	1

Youth Engagement Pathway — Additional Information and Resources

Professional organizations:

American Library Association (ALA):

- American Association of School Libraries ([AASL](#))
- Association for Library Services to Children ([ALSC](#))
- Public Library Association ([PLA](#))
- Young Adult Library Services Association ([YALSA](#))

International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA):

- Libraries for Children and Young Adults Section ([C&YA](#))
- [Literacy and Reading Section](#)
- [School Libraries Section](#)
- Environment, Sustainability, and Libraries Section ([ENSULIB](#))

State Library Associations, such as in Ohio:

- Ohio Library Council ([OLC](#))
- Ohio Educational Library Media Association ([OELMA](#))

Professional standards and competencies:

ALSC Competencies for Serving Children in Public Libraries

YALSA Teen Services Competencies for Library Staff

Professional/disciplinary journals with articles relating to Children's and Youth Public Librarianship:

- *Children and Libraries: The Journal of ALSC*
- *The Horn Book*
- *Journal of Research on Libraries and Young Adults*
- *New Review of Children's Literature and Librarianship*
- *Public Libraries*
- *School Library Journal*
- *Voice of Youth Advocates (VOYA)*
- *Young Adult Library Services (YALS)*