School Library Media Graduate Endorsement

Program Objectives
This program is geared toward licensed teachers who want to obtain the school library media endorsement. This certification program/endorsement can only be added to an existing teaching license.

We have received official approval from accreditation officials in Alaska, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota, North Dakota, Washington, and Wyoming. Many other states accept our program as well. Contact your state’s Department of Education to ensure that the program is accepted. Our education programs are accredited by the Montana Board of Public Education, the Teacher Education Accreditation Council/Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (TEAC/CAEP), and we participate in the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification’s (NASDTEC) Interstate Contract.

Additionally, the Library Media program offers an option to earn a Masters degree (MEd) in Curriculum & Instruction after completion of all Library Media coursework. The Masters portion involves completion of 9 additional credits past the 21 required by the Library Media Certificate program, and these courses are also offered online. A student must apply to the full MEd program either initially or before 9 credits of Library Media coursework have been completed. See Master of Education in Curriculum & Instruction - Professional Educator Option (http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/education-health-human-development/education/med-curriculum-leadership/professional-educator-option).

Program Flow
Following admission, the student should register for the course(s) offered in the upcoming semester through the Extended University website. Two courses are typically offered each semester (three in the summer).

This is a fully online program. Therefore, students must have reliable Internet access. Students also need:

1. Basic understanding of word processing and email applications
2. Familiarity with spreadsheet and database applications and software
3. Basic knowledge of the Web, search engines, and experience using different browsers and online databases
4. Experience with software downloads and multimedia plug-ins

Program of Study

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Application Process for the Library Media Certificate Program
Prior to applying for the Library Media Certificate program applicants must hold a teaching license and have gained at least one year teaching experience.

1. Complete the online application through the Graduate School Online Application System (http://www.montana.edu/wwwdg/apply.html)
2. Provide official transcripts from all higher education institutions attended to the Department of Education Graduate Programs Office, 215 Reid Hall, PO Box 172880, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717.

• Note: Admission to the program requires a cumulative GPA of 3.0 for the last two years of undergraduate coursework.

Application Deadlines
The following are the preferred application deadline dates by which all of the application materials must be submitted via the Graduate School Online Application System (http://www.montana.edu/wwwdg/apply.html):

- Fall Semester: May 1st
- Spring Semester: November 1st
- Summer Semester: April 1st

The following are the absolute application deadline dates. If an applicant is unable to submit all application materials via the online application system by the preferred dates listed above, he or she can submit the materials by the date listed below, as there will be a second review.

- Fall Semester: August 15th
- Spring Semester: January 2nd
- Summer Semester: May 15th

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