Requirements P-12 Licensure in Library Media University of Central Arkansas

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For those wishing to enlarge their licensure to that of a P-12 library media specialist, these are the LIBM requirements.

First, when the LIBM 6390 Practicum is taken, the 120 clock hours work in a library media center under the direction of a library media specialist with a Master's in library media, should be divided into 60 hours at the elementary level and 60 hours at the middle and secondary levels.

This is documented by the practicum supervisor and the logbook kept by the Practicum student.

In addition to the 36 hours of coursework, students will need the following courses OR COURSE EQUIVALENTS. Equivalent courses at other campuses will also be considered but must be approved prior to registering for them. They must be graduate level courses.

Please contact <u>Dr. Stephanie Huffman</u>, LIBM Coordinator, for approval in advance by emailing course prefix and number, catalog description, name of University and professor. Be prepared to also send a course syllabi if you can get one in the instance that we need to clarify course content to ensure a "match" to the intent of these requirements.

Students who have a BSE in Elementary Education:

- Additional Course Requirements
 - Either LIBM 6371 Designing Information Programs for Children and Youth or an Adolescent Literature/Reading course, which may be taken from another institution.
 - § The LIBM 6371 course may be counted as your one LIBM program elective, thus only requiring one additional course to be taken for P-12 certification.
 - § LIBM 6371 is currently an independent study course.
 - MSIT 6330 Secondary School Curriculum
 - § Students may substitute a course equivalent (must have similar content) from another institution. Please follow the directions outlined above or your transfer hours may not be accepted.
- Practicum Hours
 - o Remember: Students are required to split practicum hours (60 hours in an elementary library media center & 60 hours in a secondary library media center and/or middle level library media center).

Students who have a BSE in Secondary Education:

- Additional Course Requirements
 - o Either LIBM 6371 Designing Information Programs for Children and Youth or an Adolescent Literature/Reading course, which may be taken from another institution.
 - § The LIBM 6371 course may be counted as your one LIBM program elective, thus only requiring one additional course to be taken for P-12 certification.
 - § LIBM 6371 is currently an independent study course.
 - o CHED 6331 Elementary School Curriculum
 - § Students may substitute a course equivalent (must have similar content) from another institution. Please follow the directions outlined above or your transfer hours may not be accepted.
- Practicum Hours
 - o Remember: Students are required to split practicum hours (60 hours in a secondary library media center & 60 hours in an elementary library media center and/or middle level library media center).

Students who have a BSE in Middle Level Education:

- Additional Course Requirements
 - o Either LIBM 6371 Designing Information Programs for Children and Youth or an Adolescent Literature/Reading course, which may be taken from another institution.
 - § The LIBM 6371 course may be counted as your one LIBM program elective, thus only requiring one additional course to be taken for P-12 certification.
 - § LIBM 6371 is currently an independent study course.
 - MSIT 6330 Secondary School Curriculum or CHED 6331 Elementary School Curriculum
 - § Students may substitute a course equivalent (must have similar content) from another institution. Please follow the directions outlined above or your transfer hours may not be accepted.
- Practicum Hours
 - o Remember: Students are required to split practicum hours (60 hours in a middle level library media center & 60 hours in a secondary library media center and/or elementary library media center).

Please note: Once courses have been completed, students must submit the LIBM P-12 Additional Licensure Plan Form. This form is located on the LIBM website in pdf format. Students should download the form, fill it out, and submit a transcript to Dr. Stephanie Huffman, Program Coordinator. Once all information has been received and verified, a letter will be submitted on behalf of the student to the Arkansas Department of Education requesting P-12 Licensure be added to your teaching credentials..