New cohort to begin August 2018

master of arts
School Library Studies

The School Library Studies program offers an online master’s degree for those who wish to become teacher librarians and qualify for the K-12 teacher librarian endorsement in Iowa. Teacher librarians manage the school library program and serve as leaders in technology and literacy, teachers of digital citizenship and advocates for lifelong readers.

Program features
- This program is delivered almost entirely online and establishes for students a network of colleagues throughout the state.
- Mentored by faculty with K-12 teaching experience, students find a K-12 connection infused throughout all courses and progress as a cohort of educators teaching in a variety of levels and settings.
- All courses integrate technology skills preparing our graduates to teach technology and literacy and lead schoolwide learning, through co-planning, co-teaching and providing print and digital resources to students and teachers.

Flexible learning for a busy life
Courses are offered online using eLearning, a dynamic platform that will enhance your learning experience and sense of community with classmates. Many courses meet once per week via interactive video conferencing from wherever you are. One in-person, Saturday class session will be held on UNI’s campus Nov. 3, 2018.

Job opportunities
Teacher librarian is a shortage area in Iowa. Half of our students accept a teacher librarian position before they even begin the School Library Studies MA program. If you apply for a teacher librarian position and there are no endorsed candidates, the district could request that the Iowa BOEE grant you a conditional endorsement, contingent upon your enrollment in a teacher librarian endorsement like this one. This would allow you to start working as a teacher librarian right away.

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### Course sequence (tentative)

33 total units of credit | units of credit in parentheses following course titles

#### Fall 2018
- **SLS 5114**  
  Introduction to the School Library Program (3)
- **SLS 5134**  
  Library Resources for Young Adults (3)

#### Spring 2019
- **SLS 5132**  
  Library Resources for Children (3)
- **SLS 6250**  
  Reference Services and Information Retrieval (3)

#### Summer 2019
- **SLS 6230**  
  Technologies for Libraries (3)

#### Fall 2019
- **SLS 6223**  
  School Library Curriculum Development (3)
- **SLS 6295**  
  Research in Library and Information Science (3)

#### Spring 2020
- **SLS 6225**  
  Administration of the School Library Program (3)
- **SLS 6290**  
  Practicum (3)

#### Summer 2020
*No courses this semester. Work on research paper and program portfolio.*

#### Fall 2020
- **SLS 5115**  
  Organization of Information (3)
- **SLS 6299**  
  Research (3)

**Delivery of program is subject to minimum enrollment requirements.**

*This curriculum meets requirements for the state of Iowa. Out-of-state students should inquire with their Department of Education regarding specific state requirements.*