

LIBRARIES, INFORMATICS, AND TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION, MASTER OF SCIENCE (0497)

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The Master of Science with an emphasis in libraries, informatics, and technology in education. Students seeking additional teacher certification will earn the School Librarian certification and the Instructional Computer Technology Endorsement.

The Master of Science degree is a 30-hour program. A 27-hour core of courses and one restricted elective are required. This degree may be used for the Kentucky Rank II or Rank I salary levels.

Program Admission

Students who seek advanced teacher certification must hold teaching certification.

Students may complete this program without seeking teacher certification if they intend to seek employment in a setting other than public education (where teacher certification is required). This program does not provide initial teacher certification.

Admission requirements:

- Submission of graduate application to Graduate Studies
- Submission of official transcripts of all college work
- Submission of copy of teaching certificate if you are seeking advanced certification in School Librarian and Instructional Computer Technology Endorsement
- GPA of 2.75 in previous program or 3.0 in last 30 hours of previous program.

The admission decision by program faculty is based on a review of the full set of admission documents. Applicants should strive to provide evidence of potential for completion of the degree and success in the field of libraries, informatics, and technology in education.

Graduate School Admission

Please refer to the admission section (<http://catalog.wku.edu/graduate/admission/>) of this catalog for Graduate School admission requirements.

Program Requirements (30 hours)

The Master of Science in Libraries, Informatics, and Technology in Education requires a minimum of 30 hours.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
LITE 501	Program Organization	3

LITE 512	Issues in Libraries, Informatics, and Technology in Education	3
LITE 535	Survey of Educational Technology Practices ¹	3
LITE 537	Principles of Educational Technology Applications ²	3
LITE 506	Organization of Information	3
LITE 508	Informatics in Education ⁴	3
LITE 518	Advanced Children's Literature and Collections	3
LITE 527	Advanced Young Adult Literature and Collections	3
LITE 590	Practicum in Libraries, Informatics, and Technology in Education ³	3
Select one of the following:		3
LITE 545	Educational Technology Production	
LITE 547	Integration of Educational Technology	
LITE 550	Emerging Technology in Education	
LITE 737	Educational Technology Leadership	

Total Hours **30**

¹ Prerequisite for LITE 537.

² Transfer credit is not accepted for LITE 537 because it requires development and implementation of an instructional design project that is a foundational component of the practicum.

³ The professional portfolio is the capstone requirement for the program. Students complete the portfolio as part of the practicum course. LITE 590 is considered the professional practice experience for this program.

⁴ LITE 508 is the research methods course for this program.

Certification Examination

While a certification examination is not a requirement to earn the Master of Science in LME, Kentucky does require a passing score on the PRAXIS II Subject Assessments-Library Media Specialist for certification as a school media librarian. Students outside of Kentucky are responsible for determining the requirements for certification in their states.