Bachelor of Science in Education: Library Science
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The Library Science program prepares students to serve as professional librarians evaluating, selecting, collecting, organizing, storing, retrieving and disseminating information. The various program tracks have been designed to include the traditional roles of librarianship as well as the standard and emerging technologies. Additionally, the program balances theoretical foundation with practical implementation.

Career types associated with Library Science
(Is this a good fit for you? Are you…)
Social - “Helper”
Enterprising - ”Persuader”
Artistic - “Creator”

Related skills, values, and qualities
• Strong interpersonal skills and ability to interact with people of diverse backgrounds and personalities
• Desire and ability to work with people of all ages
• Ability to speak and write clearly
• Ability to organize, collect, and classify different types of materials
• Aptitude for accuracy, detail and memorization
• Ability to use and incorporate technology into curriculum and instruction
• Ability to critically think, solve problems and make sound decisions

Courses Library Science majors typically enjoy
• Children and Young Adult Literature
• English
• Language Arts
• Computer Information Systems
• Instructional Technology
• Emerging Technologies
• Video Production
• Archiving

Common interests of Library Science majors:
• Working part-time or as a volunteer in a library, bookstore, law office, or research firm
• Exploring new technologies for information sharing and learning.
• Visiting book stores, libraries and museums
• Belonging to a book club, literary society, or professional organization, such as the American Library Association
• Attending lectures, workshops, and conferences related to library and information sciences
• Participating in activities that involve research
• Creating blogs and websites

For more information
Contact the Library Science Department
11 Rohrbach, 610-683-4300
or visit www.kutztown.edu/LibraryScience

KU Majors related to Library Science
Elementary Education, Secondary Education, English, Computer Science

Social students may also be interested in:
* minor only
ENROLL in the Career Exploration Certificate.

• Attend info sessions to learn about career development and personal branding.
• Take a career assessment to identify and confirm interests.
• Get involved in campus clubs and organizations.
• Develop basic workplace skills through jobs or volunteer work.
• Talk with professors, family, and friends about career ideas.
• Conduct informational interviews with professionals working in fields of interest.

MEET with CDC career coach.

• Attend info sessions to learn about resume writing, and externships.
• Confirm your choice of major and consider options for double major or minor.
• Research careers of interest.
• Complete a job shadowing (externship) experience.
• Seek meaningful employment or volunteer work in a field related to your major.
• Explore options for undergraduate research and study abroad.
• Write a resume and have it reviewed by the CDC.
• Manage your online presence.

CONFIRM your choice of major and consider options for double major or minor.

• Get involved in campus clubs and organizations.
• Attend info sessions to learn about resume writing, and externships.
• Complete a mock interview.
• Build skills through research projects, part-time employment, and volunteer work.
• Participate in Careers Cafe & networking programs.
• Attend internship & job fairs.
• Take on a leadership role in a student organization or work.
• Consider graduate school options and prepare for admissions tests.

To learn more about these careers, visit http://online.onetcenter.org or www.bls.gov/oco.
**Common Internship Sites and Employers**

Library Science majors often find internships and employment in the following fields/industries:

- Business and Industry
- Camps
- Public and Private Schools
- Churches
- Colleges and Universities
- Youth Services
- Community Centers/Non Profits
- Educational Publishers
- Day Care Agencies
- Hospitals
- Libraries
- State and Federal Government

Handshake is the primary online resource for preparing and connecting students and alumni with employers.

**Useful Websites for Library Science Majors**

Whether you are researching related career fields, applying for internships or jobs, or planning to join a professional association, these websites are for you!

**Industry/Employment Information**

- O*NET OnLine  
  https://online.onetcenter.org
- Occupational Outlook Handbook.  
  www.bls.gov/ooh
- PA Department of Education  
  http://www.education.pa.gov
- NJ Department of Education  
  www.state.nj.us/education
- Education Week  
  www.edweek.org

**Job/Internship Search Boards**

- PA-REAP  
  www.pareap.net
- PA-Educator.net  
  www.paeducator.net
- Southern Teacher’s Agency  
  www.southernteachers.com
- Education Job Page  
  www.nationjob.com/education
- School Spring  
  www.schoolspring.com
- US-REAP  
  www.usreap.net
- School-Jobs  
  www.school-jobs.net
- LinkedIn Jobs  
  www.linkedin.com/jobs

**Professional Associations**

- PA School Librarians Association  
  www.psla.org
- PA Library Association  
  www.palibraries.org
- American Library Association  
  www.ala.org
- Public Library Association  
  www.ala.org/pla
- PA State Education Association  
  www.psea.org
- PA School Board Association  
  www.psba.org
- National Education Association  
  www.nea.org
- Assoc. of Research Libraries  
  www.arl.org
- Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages  
  www.tesol.org
- American Federation of Teachers  
  www.aft.org
  www.alise.org
Building Your Resume for a Career in Library Science

Building a strong resume for your career field starts long before you ever start your job search. Employers want to hire graduates who not only have the necessary educational background but also have experience applying that knowledge to real life situations.

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llibr000@llive.kutztown.edu, 555-555-5555

QUALIFICATIONS
- Strong organizational, multi-tasking, presentation and management skills
- Proven success building rapport with a variety of groups, parents and individuals
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Proficient in Quick Books Pro, FileMaker Pro, JavaScript, Adobe InDesign and Microsoft Office

EDUCATION
B.S.Ed. Kutztown University of Pennsylvania
Major: Library Science
Minor: Computer Science/Information Technology
GPA: 3.50

Kutztown, PA
May 20xx

Related Courses: Emerging Technologies for Educators, Development of Projected Digital Instructional Resources, Microcomputer Based Systems for the Library, Advanced Visual Basic, Web Programming, Java Programming

TEACHING EXPERIENCE
Reading High School, Reading School District
Teacher Candidate, Clinical Experience
- Taught Library Science to grades 9-12
- Created instructional strategies for differentiated units utilizing interactive SMART Board
- Collaborated with teachers to support PA Standard Aligned System Curriculum Framework

Reading, PA
Spring 20xx

Hamburg High School, Hamburg Area School District
Teacher Candidate, Clinical Experience
- Taught 11th and 12th grade lessons focusing on the integration of technology in research
- Assisted in leading monthly class trips to local libraries and resource centers

Hamburg, PA
Spring 20xx

Brandywine Heights High School, Brandywine Heights Area School District
Professional Semester Student
- Co-taught 9th grade Library Science elective
- Served as advisor for the Brandywine Book Club

Topton, PA
Spring 20xx

RELATED WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE
Rohrbach Library, Kutztown University
Library Student Assistant
- Process interlibrary loans and operate audiovisual equipment
- Instruct students on proper use of media and equipment
- Answer inquiries regarding library databases, resources and services
- Communicate effectively with large, diverse student populations

Kutztown, PA
Fall 20xx-Present

Sinking Springs Public Library
Volunteer
- Assisted patrons in locating reference sources
- Resolved outstanding patron loans effectively and efficiently
- Organized library materials

Reading, PA
Summer 20xx, Summer 20xx

HONORS & AWARDS
- Dean’s List
- Library Science Scholarship
- Career Success Certificate, Kutztown University Career Development Center
- Career Exploration Certificate, Kutztown University Career Development Center

Fall 20xx

For More Information on Library Science Careers or to speak to a Career Counseling, contact KU Career Development Center
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