

**ECU MLS Program
Curriculum Committee
Minutes
April 6, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 10:04 am

<https://ecu.webex.com/meet/soulenr19>

Present: Dr. Bright, Dr. Hands, Dr. Soulen

Housekeeping

1. Approved minutes for last MLS Curriculum Committee.
2. Review committee goals for AY 2020-21.

The MLS Curriculum committee will

- ☒ Complete process of changing LIBS 6828 from 2 credit to 3 credit.
- Review portfolio process.
- ☒ Edit course titles for internships to clarify concentration.
- ☒ Begin review of required courses for academic and public concentrations.
- Continue to discuss possible seminar on health sciences librarianship.
- Plan next curriculum workshop.

Old Business

3. MLS faculty nominations for student/alumni representatives to be invited to the MLS Curriculum Workshop are in Teams. Dr. Marson will be inviting students from each program concentration, the ALA student chapter president, and alumni to the Curriculum Workshop which will be held on May 13, 2021 in the afternoon/evening. The purpose of the workshop is to present the findings of the MLS Curriculum Committee regarding the portfolio process and review LIBS 6019, 6026, and 6031 in the first part of the workshop and to receive student/alumni input about the MLS program in the second part of the workshop. The MLS committee will develop questions in a Teams document to be sent to student/alumni representatives ahead of the meeting.
4. Results of Qualtrics survey program faculty vote to approve suggested changes to pre-requisites, recommended pre-requisites, and co-requisites are being finalized. Dr. Bright will develop a package reflecting these changes to submit in Curriculog.
 - LIBS 6026 Organization of Information in Libraries P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Removing: LIBS 6016 as a pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6048 Collection Development P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Removing: LIBS 6016, LIBS 6026 as pre-requisites
 - LIBS 6856 Information Literacy & Library Instruction P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Adding: LIBS 6010 as a pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6872 Research Methods in Library & Information Studies P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014, LIBS 6019 Adding: LIBS 6014 as a pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6991 P: LIBS 6142 & 30 s.h. in LIBS or consent of chair Adding: LIBS 6142 as a pre-requisite

- LIBS 6133 Materials for Early Childhood P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Removing: LIBS 6016, LIBS 6019, LIBS 6026, LIBS 6048 as pre-requisites Removing: LIBS 6048 as a recommended pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6135 Materials for Children P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Removing: LIBS 6016, LIBS 6019, LIBS 6026, LIBS 6048 Removing: LIBS 6048 as a recommended pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6137 Materials for Young Adults P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Removing: LIBS 6016, LIBS 6019, LIBS 6026 Removing: LIBS 6135 as a recommended pre-requisite Removing: LIBS 6048 as a recommended pre-requisite/co-requisite
 - LIBS 7050 Seminar on Public Libraries P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014 Adding: LIBS 6014 as a pre-requisite
 - LIBS 6142 Instructional Foundation of the School Library Media Program P: LIBS 6010, LIBS 6014, LIBS 6016, LIBS 6019, LIBS 6026; P/C: LIBS 6048 Changing: LIBS 6048 from recommended pre-requisite to pre-requisite/co-requisite
 - LIBS 6903 Special Topics in Library Studies P: LIBS 6014, LIBS 6031, LIBS 6048; or consent of chair Changing: 6 s.h. in LIBS or consent of chair
5. Results of program faculty vote to change the course description for LIBS 6137 Materials for Young Adults are being finalized. The new course description would read:
“Evaluation, selection and use of contemporary fiction, informational books and other media for teens and young adults, ages 13-18 years old.”
 6. Dr. Hands will follow up with Dr. Colón-Aguirre when the newly elected ALA student chapter president is onboard about collaborating on a webinar on health sciences information services. This is intended as a first step in building a relationship with Laupus Library and educating students about the work options available at the Library and in the field of health librarianship.

New Business

7. The MLS faculty voted to approve moving forward with removal of LIBS 6133/6135/or 6137 as a required course for the Public Library concentration at the February 25, 2021 program meeting. The MLS Curriculum Committee will initiate this in Curriculog. This change will likely not be ready to implement until Fall 2022.
8. Consider for AY 2022-23 the possibility redeveloping LIBS 6170 The Adult Reader. Faculty who may wish to teach this course, they would need to access a syllabus, and make considerable revisions.

Next meeting (as needed): May 4 @10:00 am <https://ecu.webex.com/meet/soulenr19>

First meeting for AY 2021-22: Sep 7, 2021

Committee adjourned: 10:50 am