

LIS 7102, Media and Services for Children

Catalog Description

Developmentally appropriate library and information services for young adults, ages 14-18, with an emphasis on literature and the users of literature in schools and libraries. includes material non-book services, programming, and other services specific to this age group.

General Course Objectives

1. The student will develop an acquaintance with the development and psychology of adolescents aged 14-18
2. The student will become familiar with fiction and non-fiction, periodicals, media and electronic resources designed for and marketed to teenagers
3. The students will become familiar with selection tools and criteria for both print and non-print materials designed to assist in building and maintaining a viable school or public library collection for young adults
4. The student will learn to explore ways to connect young adult to information resources and literature
5. The student will learn to evaluate library policies and procedures for the purpose of insuring free and equal access to information for adolescents
6. The student will develop skills in promoting works of fiction and non-fiction information sources to young adults
7. The student will be able to identify organizations, groups, and persons serving in advocacy roles for young people and to encourage networking among school and public libraries and the community
8. The student will develop experience in planning library collections and services based on the needs and interests of young adults

Presentation Methods

The presentation method will include lectures, guest speakers, class discussion, and student collaboration.

Evaluation Methods

Evaluation is based on research and reading assignments; papers; and class presentations.

Class Materials

Nilsen, A.P. and Donelson, K.L. *Literature for Today's Young Adults*, 7th ed. New York: Longman, 2005.

Any additional reading will be available through the Black Board course website or will be distributed in class.

Various titles of children's books and books for adults who deal with children as picked by students.