

# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

The Graduate Certificate in School Librarian provides a pathway for those who have already earned a master's degree to complete coursework that equips recipients for school librarian certification. The Graduate Certificate in School Librarian satisfies Texas school librarian certification requirements.

Applicants seeking admission to the Graduate Certificate in School Librarian program must submit the following directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-admissions/prospective-students.html>):

## Admissions Review

1. Graduate Application (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>)
2. Application fee (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/application-fee.html>)
3. Official transcript from the baccalaureate institution with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. If GPA is lower than a 3.0, the last 60 hours of education can be used.
4. Official transcript from the master degree granting institution with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. If GPA is lower than a 3.0, the last 50 hours of education can be used.

For instructions regarding the application process, please contact the Department of Library Science and Technology at (936) 294-1151 or visit the Graduate School (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/>) program page.

| Code                                            | Title                              | Hours     |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Graduate Certificate in School Librarian</b> |                                    |           |
| <b>Specified Courses</b>                        |                                    |           |
| LSSL 5330                                       | Collection Development             | 3         |
| LSSL 5332                                       | Organization of Collections        | 3         |
| LSSL 5334                                       | Information Services and Resources | 3         |
| LSSL 5337                                       | School Library Administration      | 3         |
| LSSL 5360                                       | Literature For Children            | 3         |
| LSSL 5366                                       | Library Practicum/Intern           | 3         |
| LSSL 5370                                       | School Librarianship               | 3         |
| LSSL 5385                                       | Literature for Young Adults        | 3         |
| <b>Total Hours</b>                              |                                    | <b>24</b> |

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) marketable skills initiative is part of the state's **60x30TX plan** and was designed to help students articulate their skills to employers. Marketable skills are those skills valued by employers and/or graduate programs that can be applied in a variety of work or education settings and may include interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skill areas.

The Graduate Certificate in School Librarian is designed to provide graduates with the following marketable skills:

- Interdisciplinary collaboration and leadership.
- Stakeholder engagement through communication strategies, programming, and support.
- Resource curation, utilization, and management.
- Data-driven assessment and planning that includes accessibility, purchasing, and program.
- Multi-literacy and EdTech integration.
- Data privacy, digital citizenship, and regulatory compliance.
- On-time execution, budget management, and systems optimization.