Be a champion for school libraries and have a positive impact on the lives of K–12 students. Through the Teacher Librarian program at the San José State University School of Information, you’ll gain the skills necessary for employment in K–12 schools including collaboration, technology leadership and program administration.

As a teacher librarian—also referred to as a school media specialist—you’ll be a teacher, a librarian and an instructional partner.

You’ll have the opportunity to:

• Work directly with youth
• Collaborate with teachers and administrators
• Provide an information-rich learning environment
• Uphold ethics in the information age
• Advocate for information and digital literacy

Upon program completion, students who already hold a valid Clear Professional Teaching Credential issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing will be eligible to apply for the Teacher Librarian Services Credential in California.

“...and after deciding to become a librarian, the knowledge and experience I gained in the SJSU program were indispensable in preparing me for this job.”

Cassy Lee, ’13 MLIS
Learning Center Coordinator,
Chinese American International School

PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

• 31 units
  to complete the program

• 11 courses total
  Enroll at your own pace

• School Library Fieldwork
  Capstone course

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CREDENTIAL + MLIS DEGREE

Teacher Librarianship is one of the career pathways you can follow in our nationally ranked Master of Library and Information Science program. While not required, Teacher Librarian program students may choose to earn an MLIS degree by completing three more electives (9 units) and the MLIS culminating experience (e-portfolio or thesis, 3 units), in addition to the required course work for the Teacher Librarian Services Credential.
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Based in the heart of Silicon Valley, the award-winning SJSU iSchool is the best place to learn online.

• With our 100% online programs, you can fit course work around your schedule and study whenever and wherever works best for you.
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• Our experienced faculty members are experts in online teaching and provide an engaging and interactive online learning environment.
• All of our school’s resources are focused on supporting online students.

Admission Requirements and Program Qualifications:

• A bachelor’s degree from any regionally accredited institution in any discipline with a GPA of at least 3.0 at the bachelor’s degree institution or in the last 60 semester or 90 quarter units
• A general understanding of computers and technology
• Access to a computer with Internet connection and appropriate software
• International applicants must have a TOEFL score of 600 (paper version), 250 (computer version), or 100 (Internet-based); or an IELTS score of 8
• A valid California Professional Clear Credential
• Basic Skill Authorization
• English Language Learner Authorization

Note: We do not require a GMAT or GRE test, letters of recommendation, a statement of purpose, or a résumé.

Apply Now!
1. Fill out the online application form at ischool.sjsu.edu/tl-admissions
2. Pay the $55 application fee
3. Send your transcripts

Note: Teacher Librarian applicants follow the same application process as our school’s MLIS applicants. Once admitted, new students self-enroll in the Teacher Librarian program. If you live in a state other than California, please check to see if the course work is approved by your home state before undertaking the Teacher Librarian program.

Tuition:
There are two types of fee structures at our school. Regular Session students (U.S. zip codes 939XX–958XX) pay tuition established by the California State University system. Special Session students (all other U.S. zip codes and international) pay $474 per unit, for a total cost of $14,694 to complete the Teacher Librarian program (31 units). Fees are subject to review and change. For more information, go to ischool.sjsu.edu/fees.

Accreditation:
The Teacher Librarian program course work is approved by the Council for Accreditation for Educator Preparation and meets the requirements for the California Teacher Librarian Services Credential. The MLIS program is fully accredited by the American Library Association. In addition, San José State University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

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