

School Library Track Virtual Advising, Fall 2021

School of Information Sciences (SIS)/College of Education, Health, & Human Sciences (CEHHS)

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Agenda

- ▶ Review the program parts
- ▶ Discuss coursework
- ▶ Point to helpful resources
- ▶ Discuss the practicum
- ▶ Admission to CEHHS Teacher Preparation Program
- ▶ Q & A, at any time really

- ▶ Anything to add?

Program Components

- ▶ Coursework - varies by degree and credentials
- ▶ Admission to the CEHHS Teacher Prep Program
 - ▶ For JEP and initial license, but NOT already licensed teachers
- ▶ Practicum
 - ▶ 595 (student teaching), 596 (licensed already), 596-JEP (taken twice)
- ▶ Specialty Exams
 - ▶ School Librarian Specialty Exam, aka “Praxis” - everyone
 - ▶ after you’ve taken 571, 572, EDPY 401 and SPED 402 (if applicable)
 - ▶ edTPA - initial licensure & JEP only - final semester

How many parts are YOU doing??

- 3 - MSIS, initial TN teaching license, and PreK-12 School Library Endorsement (initial license and JEP)
 - ▶ *SIS core + specialized courses + 1 elective + 2 CEHHS courses + 2 specialty exams*

- 2 - MSIS, and endorsement to (pre-existing) teaching license
 - ▶ *SIS core + specialized courses (and quite a few electives!) + 1 specialty exam*

- 1 - Endorsement
 - ▶ *SIS core + specialized courses + 1 specialty exam*

Coursework varies by degree/credentials

- ▶ SIS core - everyone!
 - ▶ 511, 512, and 514
- ▶ Specialty classes - everyone!
 - ▶ 551, 560, 571, 572, 59X
- ▶ Electives?
 - ▶ 1 or more, depending on how many degrees/credentials involved
- ▶ CEHHS courses - initial licensure only
 - ▶ EDPY 401 and SPED 402

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Advising Sheet: School Librarian
School of Information Sciences – University of Tennessee

Name _____
Semester Entering SIS _____ Anticipated graduation date _____

STUDENTS WITHOUT TEACHER CERTIFICATION

	Title	Year	Term	Hours
Required For MS degree	511	Information Concepts & Foundations		3
	512	Information Organization & Retrieval		3
	514	Information Technology Foundations		3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
Elective (Please specify)			3	
Required For School Library Licensure	551*	School Libraries		3
	560	Development & Management of Collections		3
	571	Children's Materials		3
	572	Young Adult Materials	Summer	3
	595**	Student Teaching in School Libraries	Fall or Spring	9
	EDPY 401***	Professional Studies: Applied Educational Psychology		3
	SPED 402***	Professional Studies: Special Education and Diverse Learners		3
	TOTAL			42

Students who already have an American Library Association-accredited MLS or MSIS degree must have their transcripts evaluated, and then will complete up to 24 hours including INSC 511, 512, 514, and 595 (if no course equivalents replaced them). In addition, they must take Ed Psych 401, and Special Ed 402 (if no course equivalents replaced them).

* This course should be taken as the last class before your student teaching semester.

** This is a culminating course and should be taken on its own in the final semester prior to graduation.

*** These two undergraduate courses offered by the UTK College of Education, Health and Human Services (CEHHS) may be transferred in from a four-year regionally accredited institution, however permission to do this must be received *in advance* from CEHHS. Contact Dr. Welch at cwelch11@utk.edu for more information.

Note: Up to 9 hours of electives can be from outside of CCI, but only 6 hours of electives can be from outside of UTK.

Student Signature _____ Advisor Signature _____ Date _____

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School Library Endorsement only, valid Tennessee teaching license required
School of Information Sciences – University of Tennessee

Name _____

Start date _____ Anticipated finish date _____

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Required For School Library Information	514	Information Technology Foundations		3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
	Elective (Please specify)			3
	551*	School Libraries		3
	560	Development & Management of Collections		3
571	Children's Materials		3	
572	Young Adult Materials	Summer	3	
596**	Field-based Experience in School Libraries (total of ~100 clock hours in a school library)	Fall Spring	1-2	
TOTAL			38	

* This should be taken either the semester before or concurrently with the INSC 596 course.

** This is a variable credit course that you may take once for 2 credit hours (~100 clock hours in a school library) or twice for 1 credit hours (~50 clock hours in a school library each time).

Note: Up to 9 hours of electives can be from outside of CCI, but only 6 hours of electives can be from outside of UTK.

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551*	School Libraries			3
560	Development & Management of Collections			3
571	Children's Materials			3
572	Young Adult Materials	Summer		3
596**	Field-based Experience in School Libraries (~100 hours total)	Fall or Spring		1-2

*This course should be taken the semester before or concurrently with INSC 596.

**This is a variable credit course that you may take once for 2 credit hours (~100 clock hours in a school library) or twice for 1 credit hours (~ 50 clock hours in a school library each time).

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Keep in mind re coursework - 1

- ▶ Advising sheets are in *numerical order, not the order you take the classes*
- ▶ 551 - taken right before practicum for initial licensure
 - ▶ 596 (already licensed) can take it concurrently
 - ▶ JEP take it as soon as it makes sense
- ▶ 59X - always your final semester(s)
 - ▶ JEP's final two semesters, take along with other classes
 - ▶ 596 - final semester, can take other classes as well
 - ▶ 595 - taken on its own, no other classes!

Keep in mind re coursework - 2

- ▶ Some classes are only ever offered once a year, or may be offered only in certain semesters, e.g. (but not limited to!):
 - ▶ 571 - only ever in spring
 - ▶ 572 - only ever in summer
 - ▶ 551 - only ever in fall
 - ▶ 577 - every other summer
- ▶ Watch for prerequisites
 - ▶ 551 - take everything else first, taken in last or next-to-last semester
 - ▶ 573 - 571 and 572 are prerequisites
- ▶ *That's why it's important to complete an updated advising sheet every semester and email it to Dr. W, whether you need to consult on a question or not*
- ▶ *Don't wait to register; classes will fill and it may impact your ending date!*

Helpful resources on the SIS site

Web tour

59X: Practica

- ▶ 595 - Student Teaching
 - ▶ For initial license
 - ▶ Full immersion, all day, all week, all semester, 3 placements (elem, ms, hs)
 - ▶ All this plus coursework for the practicum class
- ▶ 596 - Fieldwork Experience in School Libraries
 - ▶ For those already licensed
 - ▶ 100 clock hours in school libraries - NOT in your own school
 - ▶ 3 placements (elem, ms, hs)
 - ▶ All this plus coursework for the practicum class
- ▶ JEP - Job-Embedded Program
 - ▶ Only available for initial license
 - ▶ Hired as school librarian, plus coursework, 1 placement
 - ▶ All this plus coursework for the practicum class

How do I get into my placements?

- ▶ Knox County
 - ▶ Partnership agreement in place?
 - ▶ Feel free to talk to school librarians BUT you work through me to get placed
 - ▶ Extra application/registration/fingerprinting step

- ▶ Everywhere else (in the United States)
 - ▶ Partnership agreement in place?
 - ▶ Contact Central Office (or HR) and ask about their procedures
 - ▶ You find your own placements
 - ▶ They may require documentation from me, just let me know what you need and where to send it

Practicum FAQ - except JEPs

- ▶ When do I do this?
 - ▶ Start looking for placements at any time, and start nailing them down at the beginning of the semester before you need them
 - ▶ If you don't know where to start, ask people about the schools in their area; use the TN State Report Cards on schools
- ▶ What do I say?
 - ▶ "I'm a school library student and I am interested in working with school librarians in your district/school. What do I need to do?"
- ▶ What if they need something from UT?
 - ▶ I'm standing by, let me know what they need and where (and who) to send it (to)

JEP: Job-Embedded Program

- ▶ Only available to initial licensure people
- ▶ You are hired/paid as a full-time school librarian, you do the job plus coursework, plus exams; you're evaluated just like everyone else in the school (plus coursework and exams) ... it's a tough road, so think carefully about applying
- ▶ You need to have completed a minimum of 18-21 hours in our program
 - ▶ You'll do 596-JEP 2 semesters to meet the 10-month minimum internship requirement
- ▶ You apply for jobs, they offer you a job, this starts the process
- ▶ Must apply to CEHHS for their job-embedded program (in addition to the teacher prep prog)
 - ▶ They will come to me for a recommendation. Remember that in all your courses you're creating an impression; *be someone I can recommend!*

CEHHS Teacher Prep Program

- ▶ Initial license and JEP only; NOT licensed teachers
- ▶ Academic content comes from SIS but *licensure comes through* CEHHS, so you must be accepted into their teacher preparation program if you are seeking initial licensure
- ▶ When - apply on the [CEHHS web site](#) during your first semester in SIS
- ▶ What - application, fingerprinting, background check, ProCADS, and (eventually) the admissions interview
- ▶ Where - details are on the [CEHHS web site](#),
 - ▶ Note that some of their requirements do not apply to you: the initial transcript review and advising appointment are already done through me. Ignore the interview dates, for now. If you have questions, email me.
- ▶ Admissions interview?
 - ▶ Yes, once you have completed application, fingerprinting, background check and ProCADS, I will be notified that you are ready for interview
 - ▶ 30-minute interview with me and two other school library professionals, scheduled as needed, both fall and spring (but not summers)

This is a LOT to remember !?!

... yes, yes it is. So ...

- ▶ Every semester during advising prior to registration, you send me an updated SLM-specific advising sheet and we can consult (if needed)
- ▶ This session is recorded, and the slides and recording are available on the SIS web site
- ▶ Every fall there is a virtual advising session to update the info
- ▶ You can always email me with questions or concerns

Questions??
What do you need?

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