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Library Administration and Management Course Details

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Course Summary

The "Library Administration and Management" course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the principles and practices of library management. The course covers a range of topics including library planning and organization, collection development and management, personnel management, library marketing and outreach, technology and information systems, and legal and ethical issues.

The course begins with an introduction to the library management field and the role of the library manager, as well as the key competencies and skills required for library management. It then delves into the specifics of library management, including identifying and analyzing community needs, developing and implementing a library service plan, budgeting and financial management, selecting and acquiring library materials, cataloging and classification, personnel management, promoting library services to the community, managing automation and digital resources, understanding library policies and procedures, and compliance with copyright and intellectual property laws.

Throughout the course, students will have the opportunity to apply the concepts and strategies covered in class through various assignments, projects, and discussions. The course concludes with a final project or presentation, which allows students to demonstrate their understanding of the material covered in the course and provide opportunities for ongoing professional development.

In summary, the "Library Administration and Management" course is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the principles and practices of library management and equip students with the knowledge and skills needed to manage and administrate a library.

Course Objectives

- Understand the role and responsibilities of a library manager and the key competencies and skills required for library management
- Identify and analyze community needs and develop a library service plan that addresses them
- Develop and implement a budget and financial management plan for the library
- Understand the principles of collection development and apply them to select and acquire library materials
- Understand cataloging and classification principles and apply them to organize library materials
- Understand personnel management principles and apply them to recruit, train, and evaluate library staff
- Understand library marketing and outreach principles and apply them to promote library services to the community and build relationships with community partners
- Understand technology and information systems and apply them to manage automation and digital resources

- · Understand library policies and procedures and compliance with copyright and intellectual property laws
- Develop a final project or presentation that demonstrates the understanding of the material covered in the course and provide opportunities for ongoing professional development.

Course Outline

I. Introduction to Library Administration and Management

- Overview of the library management field
- The role of the library manager
- Key competencies and skills required for library management

II. Planning and Organizing Library Services

- Identifying and analyzing community needs
- Developing and implementing a library service plan
- Budgeting and financial management for libraries

III. Collection Development and Management

- Principles of collection development
- Selection and acquisition of library materials
- Cataloging and classification of library materials

IV. Personnel Management and Leadership

- Recruitment and staffing
- Training and development of library staff
- Performance appraisal and evaluation

V. Library Marketing and Outreach

- Promoting library services to the community
- Building relationships with community partners
- Developing and implementing outreach programs

VI. Managing Technology and Information Systems

• Overview of library technology and information systems

- Managing automation and digital resources
- Developing and implementing a technology plan

VII. Legal and Ethical Issues in Library Management

- Understanding library policies and procedures
- Compliance with copyright and intellectual property laws
- Privacy and confidentiality concerns

VIII. Conclusion

- Review of key concepts and strategies for library management
- Opportunities for ongoing professional development
- Final project or presentation



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