



American Library Association, Committee on Accreditation (ALA-CoA)

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PROFILE OF ACCREDITING ORGANIZATION

2020-2021

Accreditor types: Programmatic

Recognition Status: Recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation

Range of Accreditation Activity: Accredits master's programs in library and information studies offered under the degree-granting authority of institutions in the United States, its territories, possessions, and protectorates; in Canada by agreement with the Canadian Federation of Library Associations/Fédération canadienne des associations de bibliothèques (CFLA-FCAB); and in the United Kingdom.

International Accreditation Activity:

5 Non-U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

0 U.S. institutions or programs operating outside the U.S.

No Organization evaluates credentials or degrees from outside the U.S.

Sponsoring Organization: American Library Association

Composition of Decision-Making Body:

12 members: 2 public, 5 faculty, 5 practitioners

225,285 Operating Budget for Accrediting Unit Only

139,566 Direct support from any sponsoring organization

0 In-kind support from any sponsoring organization

Employees: 2 Full-time **n/a** Part-time

Volunteers: 65 – served 2020-2021

PROFILE OF ACCREDITED PROGRAMS

2020-2021

68 Accredited U.S and non-U.S. Programs

68 Degree-Granting:

56 Public

12 Private Nonprofit

0 Private For-Profit

0 Non-Degree-Granting:

0 Public

0 Private Nonprofit

0 Private For-Profit

19,994 Students

PROFILE OF ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES

2020-2021

Frequency of Comprehensive Reviews and Required Follow-Up: Every-7-year comprehensive with biennial narrative report update addressing every standard or a Special Report on issues

Frequency of Comprehensive Review of Accreditation Standards: Continuous review with Standards revision taken to ALA Council for adoption every 10-years

Summary of Formal Actions 2020-2021

2 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Granted

0 Initial Candidacy or Preaccreditation Denied

1 Initial Accreditation Granted

0 Initial Accreditation Denied

8 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review

1 Accreditation Continued Following Comprehensive Review with Required Follow-up

1 Notice or Warning

0 Probation

0 Show Cause

0 Accreditation Terminated or Removed

0 Actions under Appeal

1 Other

Summary of Additional Actions

0 Substantive Changes Reviewed

9 Site Visits

n/a Voluntary Discontinuance or Expiration of Accreditation