

# LIBRARY SCIENCE (LIBR)

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## Course Descriptions

### **LIBR 575 Issues in Middle Grade and Young Adult Literature for Grades 5-12 3 Credit Hours**

Surveys and develops criteria for appropriate literature for young people in grades 5-9 and 7-12. Fiction, non-fiction, folklore, poetry and/or fantasy are considered with reference to the interests, needs and abilities of adolescents. This course is designed to heighten the awareness and sensitivity of teachers to the treatment of issues in modern and traditional middle-grade and young-adult literature. Among these issues will be justice, ethics, abuse, conformity, aging, death, sibling problems, alienation, friendship, prejudice, gender, and other areas of concern. Techniques and activities for fostering discourse and open inquiry in the classroom, relative to the literature, will be explored and presented. (F, AY).

#### **Restriction(s):**

Can enroll if Class is Graduate

Can enroll if College is Education, Health, and Human Services

\*An asterisk denotes that a course may be taken concurrently.

#### Frequency of Offering

The following abbreviations are used to denote the frequency of offering: (F) fall term; (W) winter term; (S) summer term; (F, W) fall and winter terms; (YR) once a year; (AY) alternating years; (OC) offered occasionally