



Career Opportunities

The Library/Information Technology Program is designed to prepare individuals for employment as paraprofessionals in public, school, academic, special libraries, or information centers. Graduates could manage a small library or work in a museum or archives. Opportunities may also be found in bookstores, publishing, hospitals, or business settings.

Scholarship Information

Cuesta College offers financial aid opportunities to enrolled students. The annual deadline to submit an application is usually early March. Of special interest to our LIBT students is the Lyn Vivrette Scholarship offered annually for a qualified student majoring in Library/Information Technology. The Cuesta College Friends of the Library fund this award. See the Financial Aid web site for more information: http://www.cuesta.edu/student/aboutmoney/finaid/application_process/index.html

Another scholarship of interest is the Gold Coast Library Network Scholarship Award for those training as library staff. This is also an annual award. See their web site: <http://goldcoastlibraries.org/>



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Library/Information Technology Certificate of Achievement



About Our Program

Cuesta College offers a mature and robust program in Library/Information Technology (LIBT). Our curriculum is designed to provide the knowledge and skills needed for a successful vocational career in organizing and managing information.

The LIBT program has been in existence for more than four decades and prepares students to work as paraprofessionals in libraries, media centers, archives, and other venues.

While emphasizing technical competencies and research skills, our program also highly values effective interpersonal communication. As often as possible, we incorporate practical, on-site experiences into our core curriculum which culminates with our final internship course.



Online Courses

Our Library/Information Technology course offerings are online, making them accessible and convenient for local and out-of-area students. Cuesta LIBT students come from all parts of California. Ambitious students have completed our required core courses in two semesters; four semesters is more typical.

Certificate of Achievement in Library/Information Technology

Students may pursue a Certificate of Achievement in Library/Information Technology by completing the required 26.5 program units, or they may elect to complete the 60 units required for the Associate in Science Degree (see separate brochure).

Required Courses

- * DIST 101 Introduction to Online Courses5 unit
- * LIBT 201 Introduction to Library Services 3.0 units
- * LIBT 204 Organizing Information 3.0 units
- * LIBT 205 Library/Information Center Collections 3.0 units
- * LIBT 208 Library Teamwork & Supervisory Skills 1.0 unit
- * LIBT 209 Library Public Services 3.0 units
- * LIBT 213 Advanced Internet Searching 1.0 unit
- * LIBT 214 Information Technology Internship 2.0 units
- * LIBT 215 Technology in the Workplace 3.0 units
- * LIBT 217 Ethics in the Information Age 1.0 unit

See the FAQ <http://library.cuesta.edu/libt/libt214faqs.pdf> for more internship information

**Total Required Core Units: 20.5
+ Plus 9 units from the following:**

- * BUS 131 E-Commerce: Social Media Marketing .. 3.0 units
- * CIS 210 Introduction to Computer Apps 4.0 units
- * CIS 215 Advanced Business Applications 4.0 units
- * ECE 234 Children's Literature 3.0 units
- * LIBT 207 Web Page Development with XHTML 3.0 units
- * LIBT 210 School Library/Media Center Services .. 3.0 units
- * LIBT 212 Research Skills for the Information Age .. 1.0 unit
- * LIBT 218 Connecting Adolescents
with Literature and Libraries 3.0 units
- LIBT 247 Independent Studies:
Library Information Technology5-2 units

Total Units Required In Major: 29.5

* Distance Education courses

Testimonials

"Our Cuesta Library Tech intern asked great questions and demonstrated a sophisticated understanding of our work and processes. I have encouraged her to monitor our website for future job openings. I would love to have her on our staff!" – *Intern supervisor*

"Thanks to my enrollment in the library program, I was already able to land my dream job working at a school library."
– *LIBT student*

"I think the library related Certificate of Specialization programs that Cuesta College offers is a great way to show formal learning progress." – *LIBT intern*



For complete course descriptions, see a copy of Cuesta's current catalog or go to: http://www.cuesta.edu/student/aboutacad/schedule_catalog

For more information contact the office at (805) 546-3190 or submit the Contact Us form at <http://library.cuesta.edu/libt/contact.htm>

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