

TEACHER LIBRARIAN SERVICES CREDENTIAL

The Teacher Librarian Services Credential authorizes the holder to perform **all** of the following duties:

- Instruct pupils in the choice and use of library materials
- Plan and coordinate school library programs with the instructional programs of a school district
- Select materials for school and district libraries
- Coordinate or supervise library programs at the school district or county level
- Plan and conduct a course of instruction for those pupils who assist in the operation of school libraries
- Supervise classified personnel assigned school library duties
- Develop procedures for and management of the school and district libraries

Requirements for the Clear Credential

Individuals must satisfy **all** of the following requirements:

1. A bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally-accredited college or university
2. Hold a valid prerequisite California teaching credential that required completion of a professional preparation program, including student teaching*
3. Complete **one** of the following:
 - a. A Commission-approved Teacher Librarian Services Credential program, securing the formal recommendation of the California college or university where the program was completed
 - b. An out-of-state Teacher Librarian Services Credential program consisting of at least 30 graduate semester units approved by the appropriate state agency where the program was completed. A photocopy of the out-of-state credential is acceptable verification of this requirement, as is a letter from the issuing state's licensing agency.
4. Satisfy the [basic skills requirement](#). See Commission leaflet [CL-667](#), entitled [Basic Skills Requirement](#) for additional information. Individuals who completed their professional preparation program out-of-state may contact their California employer about the possibility of obtaining a One-Year Nonrenewable (OYNR) credential pending completion of the basic skills requirement.

* If you do not hold a prerequisite teaching credential, contact the Commission office or a California college or university with a Commission-approved program about obtaining a Multiple Subject (elementary/self-contained classroom), Single Subject (secondary/departmentalized classroom), or Education Specialist Instruction Teaching Credential.

NOTE: Effective issuance date January 1, 2008, the Commission began issuing librarian credentials as Teacher Librarian Services Credentials. Since July 15, 1990, these credentials were issued as Library Media Teacher Services Credentials. This was a title change only and the change had no effect on the requirements necessary to initially issue credentials or renew existing credentials. When a Library Media Teacher Services Credential is initially issued, renewed or undergoes a name change on or after January 1, 2008, the new credential will be issued as a Teacher Librarian Services Credential.

[Click Here for Commission-Approved Professional Preparation Programs](#), or visit the Commission's website at www.ctc.ca.gov

References: California Education Code Section 44269, California Code of Regulations, Title 5, §80053