Course Profile: Advanced Classification and Cataloging  
Course Number: LIS 8210  

Credits: 3  

Prerequisite(s): LIS 6210

Rationale for Inclusion in the Curriculum:

Students interested in pursuing professional careers in cataloging need advanced, practical guidance in creating bibliographic records for documents in a variety of formats and assigning subject headings and Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress classification numbers.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of the course students will be able to:

1. Apply current cataloging rules (AACR2 and RDA) for print and nonprint formats;  
2. Apply the Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress classifications, including the use of tables;  
3. Assign subject headings using Library of Congress Subject Headings (and possibly Sears Subject Headings for students planning on working in school libraries).

Content:

AACR2 and RDA, current editions of the Library of Congress and Dewey Decimal classifications, use of standard vocabularies like Library of Congress Subject Headings, creation of authority records.

Course Methodology:

Lectures, readings, assignments and class discussions.

Bases for Evaluation:

Quality assignments submitted on or before the due date and active participation in class.