

Certificate of Public Librarianship Orientation

August 29th, 2019

Vermont Department of Libraries

Barre

Vermont Certificate of Public Librarianship

The Certificate of Public Librarianship is designed for individuals without formal library training who are directing small Vermont public libraries. Other library staff, volunteers, and trustees also may pursue certification. Enrollees must live in Vermont or be associated with a Vermont library in order to participate in this program.

http://libraries.vermont.gov/services/continuing_ed/certificate

Registration:

http://libraries.vermont.gov/services/continuing_ed/certificate_application

Submission form for classes taken:

<http://libraries.vermont.gov/sites/libraries/files/ContinuingEd/ContinuingEducationRecord.pdf>

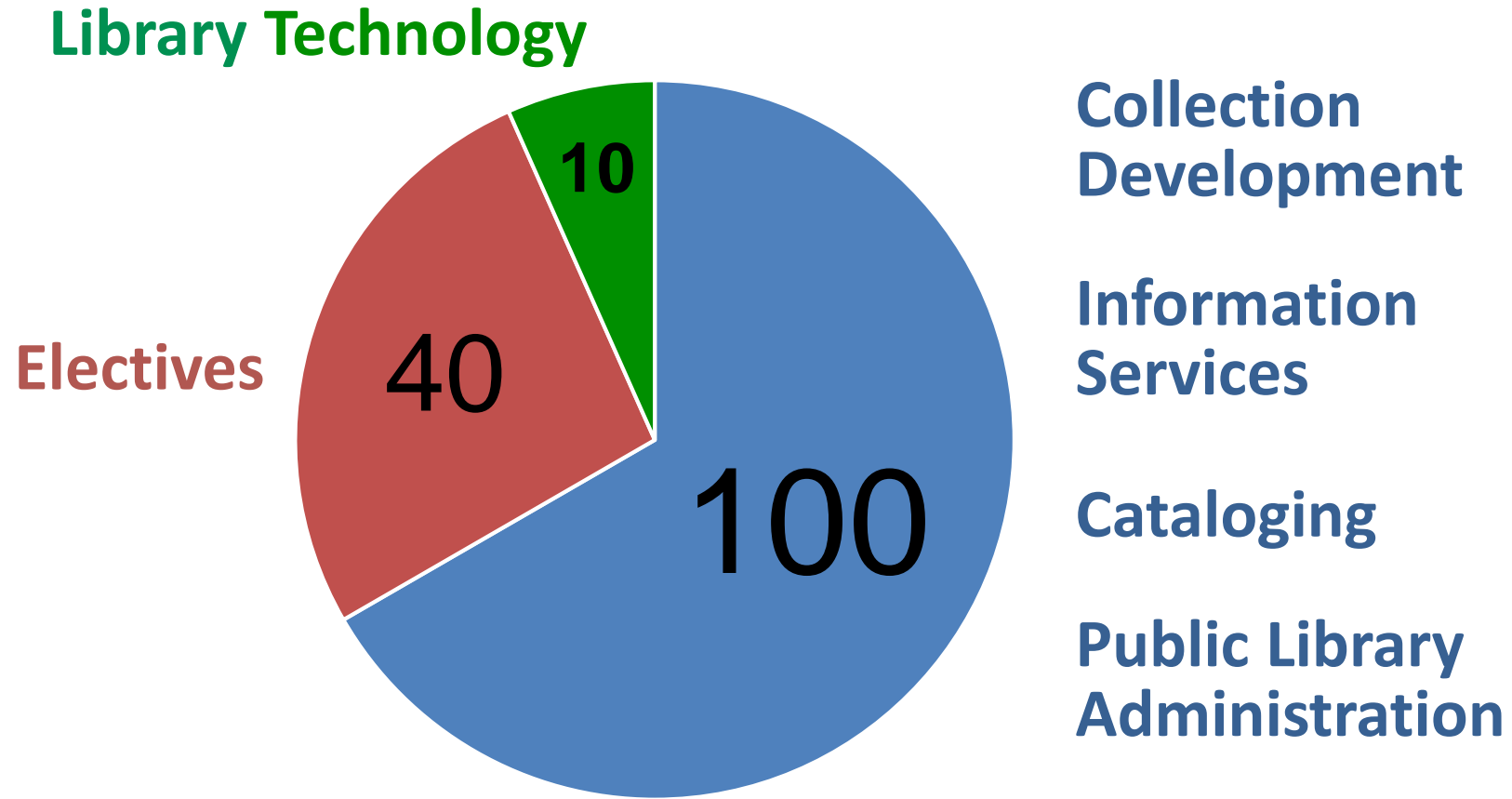
Registration Open:

Every December

Every August

Any registrations completed during other months will be filed and processed in the next cycle.

Continuing Education Units



Ways to earn Continuing Education Units (CEUs)

- VTLIB classes and workshops
- Idaho Commission for Libraries ABLE
- WebJunction webinars
- ALA, PLA, Booklist webinars
- Conference attendance
- Other: must be pre-approved to receive credit
- Must submit proof of attendance to receive credit

VTLIB Website link to CE suggestions

https://libraries.vermont.gov/services/continuing_ed/webinars

Options for Core Courses

- VTLIB courses
- Idaho Commission for Libraries (for all but BPLA)
<https://libraries.idaho.gov/continuing-education/able/>
- Others based on case-by-case pre-approval

Details

- 150 credits must be completed within 5 years of registration; classes taken before registration will not be given credit.
- Letters of completion will be sent May and December.
- Certificates will be awarded at the May VLA conference or mailed to those who do not attend the conference.
- Exceptions will be made to this timeline in cases where proof of certification is needed for negotiations with trustees or job applications.

More details

- Required Core courses are one full day plus a 2nd follow up day of at least half a day, depending on the topic
- Core courses earn 25 Continuing Education Units
- Schedule of core courses:
 - Cataloging: Spring
 - Information Services: Spring
 - Public Library Administration: Fall
 - Collection Development: Fall

More details, cont.

- Non-core courses/workshops/webinars earn 1 CEU/Contact Hour
- In some cases independent study or embedded CE will count toward certification, provided it is planned with VTLIB or a mentor, and pre-approved.

Submitting Record of Courses Taken

Submit by December 15, 2019
Processed by December 31, 2019

Submit by April 30, 2020
Processed by May 15, 2019

(in time to receive Certificate at VLA conference if applicable)

Upcoming VTLIB workshops

- 9/19: Reference Roundtable Exchange, 1-4
- 9/25: Project Wild Training, 9:30-1
- 10/3: Implicit Bias & Creative Authority, 12-4
- 10/8: Equity & Diversity in VT Libraries, 1-4
- 10/11 Red Clover Conference, 9-3
- 10/17: BPLA Pt. 1, 9-4
- 10/29: BPLA Pt. 2, 12-4

More upcoming VTLIB workshops

- 11/6: Collection Development Pt. 1, 9-4
- 11/18: Collection Development Pt. 2, 1-4

All above listings will take place at VTLIB in Barre.

Details:

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Other Upcoming Events

- 10/23: Public Library Director Summit, 9-4:30
 - *Location: Vermont State House
- Regional Trustee Trainings, multiple dates & locations (details on website)

Q&A, Discussion, Suggestions

- Questions on CEUs, where to find, workshops, requirements, timeline, how CE applies to your work? Anything else?
- Discussion of training accomplishments, challenges
- Suggestions for future workshop topics
- Other?

Evaluation/contact info

<https://www.projectoutcome.org/responses/44530>

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Thank you!