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With the majority of professional librarianship programs being offered at post-graduate level, you might wonder why Box Hill Institute recently chose to offer an undergraduate program. The answer has several elements. We know that several universities offer excellent online programs at undergraduate level, so the demand for undergraduate level study is evident. But not every student is comfortable with the online learning style.

Box Hill Institute's new Bachelor in Library & Information Management course is delivered face-to-face in the classroom, not via distance or online learning models. The decision to offer the degree this way was the result of feedback from potential students who didn't have the background or prerequisites to enter a post graduate program, and preferred classroom delivery. It was also evident that the convergence of roles in library settings was putting pressure on VET Library and Information Services (LIS) Diploma qualified Library Technicians seeking to upskill to Librarian.

Box Hill Institute's degree was designed to cover the ground of the Library Technician course in an academic style for its first year, before building on that to provide the additional Information and communications technology (ICT), networking, web skills and managerial subjects, plus Library and Information Management knowledge.

High performing LIS Diploma Graduates gain entry to second year, but acknowledging the different emphases of diploma and degree study, the Institute has a well-resourced program of academic support services to give Diploma Graduates the academic study and writing skills needed to succeed.

The first year of the degree course provides an undergraduate approach to the core knowledge areas of Library Technician and adds two business subjects.

The second year continues the three streams of Information Resources and Users, Information Organisation Systems and Infrastructure, and Information Management Contexts and Services Management.

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The final year of the degree widens the scope to address current issues and research in Information Management, Records and Knowledge Management, Professional Ethics, Services Management and Cultural Heritage Conservation. A capstone project brings the major elements of disciplinary study together in a real world project.

As a newly-created degree, Box Hill Institute took the opportunity to design it with a view to supporting current professional practice and anticipated future directions for delivering and managing information services. The degree program is offered at Box Hill Institute's Melbourne CBD campus in Flinders Lane.



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Welcome to the 2016 edition of the ALIA LIS Education Handbook. In these pages you will find details of the ALIA accredited courses run by higher education and vocational education training providers across Australia. These courses provide new LIS students with a gateway to their career and experienced professionals with opportunities for advancement.

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We recommend you contact course coordinators listed on the ALIA website to seek information about any course in which you are interested, as each course has its own emphasis and fee structure. For study modes and entry requirements, check the institution's website.

ALIA also strongly encourages LIS professionals to consider undertaking post doctoral studies and research.

In addition to formal qualifications, we believe there is a critical need for commitment to lifelong learning for everyone at all levels of our profession. The Certified Professional level of ALIA membership supports members who choose to formalise their commitment to ongoing learning through membership of the ALIA PD Scheme. ALIA has introduced subject Specialisations as an extension to the ALIA PD Scheme. Members are able to demonstrate their specialised knowledge by focusing their learning using subject-related competencies. Current specialisations available are: Research/Academic/ Data, Health, Public Library, Schools and Government, with more planned.

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UPDATES ON ALIA EDUCATION POLICIES AND QUALIFICATIONS

This year the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) has undertaken a number of first accreditation and reaccreditation processes for Diploma, Bachelor, Post Graduate Diploma and Masters Courses. ALIA's education policies form the basis of the course accreditation process; these policies are regularly reviewed and updated. ALIA has been working with allied field associations, the Australian Society of Archivists (ASA) and Records and Information Management Professionals Australasia (RIMPA) on the development of a 'Foundation Knowledge, Skills and Attributes for information professionals working in archives, libraries and records management' policy. This new policy reflects the convergence in skillsets and attributes sort by employers.

The policy on Teacher Librarian qualifications has also been recently reviewed and updated by ALIA and the Australian School Library Association (ASLA) and supports the content of Teacher Librarian Masters Courses.

The Library and Information Sector Core Knowledge, Skills and Attributes policy is also part of the assessment process and continues to provide an additional Library and Information Science focus and forms the basis for the content of the vocational Diploma of Library and Information Services. Policies can be found on the ALIA website at <http://bit.ly/2ddArHi>

At the beginning of 2016 the Library Technician qualification, the Diploma of Library and Information Services was updated to BSB 52115 reflecting the move to a Business Services training package and the inclusion of more digital skills. This transition

will be undertaken by training providers over the next 12 months. In 2015, the Federal Government introduced a new model for developing and maintaining training packages with the creation of Industry Reference Committees (IRCs). Judy Brooker, ALIA Director of Learning represents the Library and Information Services Sector on the new Business Services IRC.

The Federal Government has also recently made changes to vocational education and training student funding with the introduction of the VET Student Loans Scheme from 1 January 2017. The Minister also announced that the current VET FEE-HELP scheme will cease on 31 December 2016. ALIA is very pleased that from the previous 800 Diploma courses supported by the old scheme, the Diploma of Library and Information Services is among the remaining 347 eligible courses chosen for the new scheme.



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LIS EDUCATION, SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT TREND REPORT

ALIA has issued the third annual ALIA LIS Education, Skills and Employment Report. The report provides students, educators, employees and employers with an understanding of the national landscape, and the Association with data we need to help inform our approach as the sector's peak professional body.

This 2016 report updates some of the statistics in the previous publications, using the latest figures from the Department of Education and the Department of Employment. It includes new information, particularly in the areas of higher education and job vacancies.

KEY FINDINGS

In 2016, there were 26 institutions delivering 41 ALIA accredited courses around Australia. In addition, there were VET (Vocational Education and Training) providers offering Certificates II, III and IV in library and information studies. This represented a slight increase over the previous year but it was noted that eight higher education courses would not accept intakes in 2017 and two institutions would cease to offer LIS courses altogether.

There were 4,080 students enrolled in LIS courses in 2014 — a 10% decrease on 2013 figures — with 25% in higher education and 75% in VET. Of these 4,080 students, 2,663 were enrolled in ALIA accredited courses leading to professional membership of the Association. The most popular qualifications were the Master's degree in higher education and the Diploma in the VET sector.

The number of LIS students enrolled in higher education courses remained constant for the three years 2012–2014. In the VET sector, there was a decline of 14% over the same period.

Over the five years from November 2010 to November 2015, there were 43.5% fewer Librarian positions in the workforce; 16.3% fewer Technician positions, and 12.4% fewer Library Assistant positions. Looking ahead to 2020, the Department of Employment predicted no further loss of Librarian positions, a 4.8% increase in Technician positions and a drop of 27.6% for Library Assistant positions.

More than two-thirds of Library Assistants worked part-time (69%), more than half of Technicians (54%) and more than a third of Librarians (39%). The unemployment level for Librarians and Technicians was below average compared with other occupations, while the level for Library Assistants was above average. The top three states in terms of the number of job opportunities were New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland.

Using 2013 data, Librarians, Technicians and Library Assistants had significantly higher education attainment compared with people employed in all occupations in Australia. For example, some 60% of Librarians had a Post Graduate or Graduate Diploma or a Graduate Certificate, compared with 9% for all occupations.

As well as library and information service delivery positions, there were also approximately 1,000 jobs working for the Australian vendors who supply library and information related products.

OUR INTERPRETATION

Library and information science is an occupation with a relatively small, highly qualified workforce (representing approximately 0.2% of the Australian labour force) and an equally small education footprint (approximately 0.2% of VET students and 0.1% of higher education students).

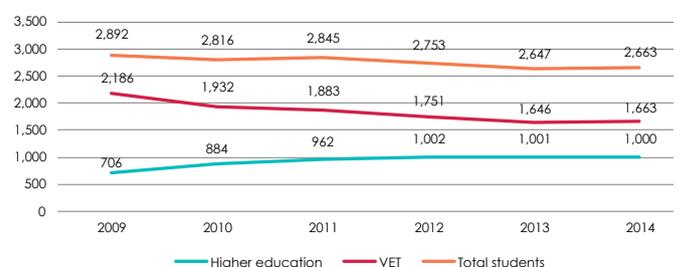
Although the LIS workforce is small, our sector has significant reach and profile because millions of Australians use library services. More than 8.6 million Australians are registered public library users (source: National and State Libraries Australasia statistics) and still more use university, VET, special and school libraries.

The library and information sector remains an attractive proposition. It has a higher average age for workers, many of whom benefit from the option of part time flexible working. However, the workforce tends to be fairly static, with a relatively small number of vacancies occurring through staff turnover, people leaving the sector and the creation of new positions. The full impact of Baby Boomer retirement has yet to be felt, with people staying longer in the workforce.

There will be a modest increase in the number of qualified positions available over the next five years, but a significant decrease in the number of positions for staff without a library and information science qualification. Changes to ALIA's professional development program in the lead up to 2020 will reflect the need for Certified Professional status in many parts of the sector.

For the full report visit: ([bit.ly link to http://bit.ly/2dtMqSN](http://bit.ly/2dtMqSN))

Figure 5: Number of students enrolled in ALIA accredited LIS courses



Source: ALIA, Department of Education, NCVET



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<p>Charles Sturt University macarroll@csu.edu.au</p>	<p>Bachelor of Information Studies</p> <p>The Bachelor of Information Studies at Charles Sturt University course is designed to produce graduates with a critical understanding of the importance of information and knowledge management across a wide range of fields and institutions. The degree is an entry point to the information professions providing graduates with an in-depth understanding of the creation, evaluation, collection, organisation, utilisation and dissemination of information in the contemporary world. It provides opportunities to specialise in librarianship, Records and Archives Management and Information and Knowledge Management. Delivered totally online, the Bachelor of Information Studies is delivered in an environment which supports the need for flexibility in the 21st century without compromising quality. The degree provides a range of practical experiences to support student learning. CSU's School of Information Studies (SIS) is one of the world's largest providers of education for the information professions internationally and has been educating and researching in the Information and Library Studies field for more than 40 years.</p>	
	<p>Master of Information Studies</p> <p><i>Early exit with ALIA accredited Graduate Diploma available</i></p> <p>The Master of Information Studies at Charles Sturt University is designed to prepare leaders for the information professions in a range of fields including librarianship, leadership, children's librarianship, community informatics, information architecture, information and knowledge management, data management and records and archives management. The degree offers a wide ranging choice of electives within these fields, a flexible learning environment and practical experiences aimed at supporting learning. Students can complete the Master's program or may choose to graduate with a Graduate Diploma. Delivered totally online, the Master of Information Studies is delivered in an environment which supports the need for flexibility in the 21st century without compromising quality. The degree provides a range of practical experiences to support student learning. CSU's School of Information Studies (SIS) is one of the world's largest providers of education for the information professions internationally and has been educating and researching in the Information and Library Studies field for more than 40 years.</p>	
<p>Curtin University k.greenhill@curtin.edu.au</p>	<p>Bachelor of Arts (Librarianship and Corporate Information Management)</p> <p>This degree offers educational preparation for the professions of librarianship, corporate information management and archives. Applications from library technicians are encouraged. They are evaluated on academic excellence and experience, and these students are currently given the equivalent of one year's advanced standing.</p>	
<p>p.joseph@curtin.edu.au</p>	<p>Graduate Diploma in Information and Library Studies</p> <p>This course is for graduates in non-information studies disciplines who wish to gain a professional level qualification in the field of librarianship. Students are introduced to professional principles, attitudes and practice.</p>	
	<p>Master of Information Management</p> <p>This course will provide graduates from a non-information studies discipline with a first professional qualification in Information Management, or can be used to upgrade previous information studies qualifications. Areas of study include librarianship, corporate information management, archives, intranet content management and information literacy. The course can also provide a pathway to a PhD.</p>	

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The MBIS is a coursework program offering advanced studies in library and information services, information management, electronic recordkeeping and archiving, and related information technology disciplines including knowledge management, business intelligence, business systems, business application development and enterprise systems. If studied full time, the MBIS takes four semesters to complete; students have a maximum of six years to complete this course. It is offered at Caulfield campus or via online mode. Students may elect to enrol in the MBIS but take an alternative exit with a Graduate Diploma of Information and Knowledge Management. The GradDiplKM is also designed to meet the requirements for professional accreditation from ALIA. There are different structures for (a) librarians and related information professionals and (b) records managers and archivists. If studied full time, the GDIKM takes two semesters to complete; part time study is also available.

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Master of Information Science (Library and Information Practice)

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RMIT University

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Master of Information Management

Early exit with ALIA accredited Graduate Diploma available

The Master of Information Management (with an exit point for the Graduate Diploma in Information Management) is designed to produce accredited professionals in the library and information industry. You will be equipped with the skills to manage, organise, create, preserve and analyse information for such environments. The program has a strong emphasis on practical and managerial skills for immediate application. You can study both on campus and online and graduates will be able to operate globally with an internationally recognised qualification.

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Graduate Diploma of Information Management

Master of Information Management

The Master of Information Management is a two year degree, designed with strong industry support, and will prepare graduates for taking an entry level position in the information management profession. There is a melding of theory and practice in the degree so that students have the opportunity to see how a professional degree works before they enter the work force. This course has been designed for graduates to be 'industry-ready' and includes research plus an industry placement to equip you with the skills, knowledge, and abilities to enter the profession at an entry level librarian position. The current degrees offer Commonwealth supported fees.



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The Master of Digital Information Management is part of an articulated program designed to produce information professionals able to create and manage information which is increasingly in digital formats. It also examines strategies and practices for the delivery of knowledge services for both organisations and communities in the 21st century. The program equips graduates with a deep, theoretically informed understanding of how knowledge and information are created, represented, communicated and used by individuals and groups both online and in the physical world. In addition, students develop the technical and project management skills needed to design, build and manage online information resources such as websites and digital repositories. Students gain an understanding of contemporary issues, trends, innovations and forces for change in information practice; of ethical practice and the ability to operate with integrity, rigor, self-reliance and cooperation in professional contexts.

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<p>Queensland University of Technology (Faculty of Education, Kelvin Grove) h.hughes@qut.edu.au</p>	<p>Master of Education (Teacher- Librarianship)</p> <p>This course develops expert skills and knowledge in contemporary teacher librarianship, including inquiry and connected learning curriculum approaches, promotion of reading and multimodal texts, learning space design, library management and professional leadership. You will use new technologies to curate, communicate, collaborate and create information in order to practice as highly accomplished and innovative school leaders.</p>



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Delivered online, this ALIA accredited course will help to launch your career in library and information services. This qualification is designed to reflect the role of a Library Technician working with the Library and Information Services Industry who use a range of specialised, technical and managerial competencies to plan, carry out and evaluate the work of self and or their team. You will gain the skills and knowledge required for a role in a wide range of libraries including public, special, academic and school. As well as learning how to help people research and analyse information in a professional environment, you'll also learn how to implement workplace health, safety and security procedures; use, evaluate and extend your own information literacy skills; monitor functions of integrated management system and identify and solve customer IT problems.



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Diploma of Library and Information Services

If you're looking to start your career as a library technician, working as part of a library or information services team, this course is for you. You will gain essential communication, computer and technical skills along with learning how to supervise staff, train small groups, and establish effective working relationships. You will also develop skills in reference work, cataloguing, circulation, database searching and using information technology. Program is delivered in both on-campus as well as off-campus as online distance learning mode.

Chisholm Institute

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Diploma of Library and Information Services

Start your exciting career with our ALIA accredited Diploma of library and information services course. Learn to solve problems, analyse information and guide others in a library environment. Develop advanced skills in referencing, cataloguing, circulation and database searching. Learn valuable IT skills such as advanced applications, digital and social media, and IT Troubleshooting. Learn to be an effective supervisor and gain skills and knowledge in copyright, communication, management and customer service. If you already work in a library setting and would like to update your skills, shorter skillsets are available too. Work placement allows students to experience a real library environment, which gives practical application of the skills they are taught in class, making them job ready on completion. There are opportunities for pathways into employment and university degrees after completing our Diploma of Library and Information Services.

**Swinburne Institute of Technology
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Diploma of Library and Information Services

On campus study = full-time only

Multimodal (online) study = full-time and part-time

The Diploma of Library and Information Services provides students with the relevant skills and knowledge to work in libraries and other information agencies. Students learn research, cataloguing and collection management skills, use digital and social media tools and develop customer service expertise.

**Victoria Polytechnic
TAFE Division of Victoria University**

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This course provides training to help you improve your skills in a number of job positions including technician in a library, museum or gallery. You will learn how to use a range of specialised technical or managerial competencies to plan, carry out and evaluate work with a team.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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Kick start your career as an innovative and dynamic Library Technician. You will learn skills in customer service, how to supervise and lead teams, develop technical expertise in original cataloguing and use the latest software to build and update websites. Keep up to date with current industry trends by getting involved in the delivery and promotion of literature programmes and lifelong learning. You will investigate how social media impacts on current information services while becoming proficient in computing, reference work and database searching.



Australian Library and
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BE THE FIRST TO KNOW WHERE THE GOOD JOBS ARE

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INVEST IN YOUR CAREER

ALIA provides opportunities for flexible training, conference and networking events that take place face to face and online so you can share knowledge and best practice. These events cater to library and information specialists at all stages of their career. Check the ALIA Events Calendar and the ALIA Training page to find out what is on near you.

All ALIA Personal Members have access to ALIA's MyPD tracking tool. It is a one stop shop to capture all of your professional learning, ready for your next job application or performance review.

CAREER SUPPORT AND ADVICE

Throughout your career, there will be times when you need information, resources and advice and ALIA is your connection to that support. ALIA Members receive exclusive access to a range of services including personal career and professional development guidance, as well as industrial relations and copyright advice services.

STAY UP TO DATE

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FIND YOUR PROFESSIONAL COMMUNITY

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