

standards established for school librarians by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Students working toward the A.B. in Education may enroll for certain courses in the undergraduate curriculum designed for teacher-librarians. This curriculum also provides the basic foundation for graduate work and gives students majoring in other fields opportunities to take related courses in Library Science.

The **graduate curriculum** is designed for majors in Library Science and leads to a master's degree. It is open to non-majors on the approval of the Head of the Department. Students in the College of Education who are working toward the M.A. in Education may elect courses in Library Science to fulfill the Southern Association requirements for teacher-librarians. Students in subject fields may elect certain courses in Library Science to qualify for positions in special libraries. In general, the graduate courses are designed to train for the more responsible positions in librarianship. Those interested should consult with the Department for guidance in the selection of courses.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MASTER'S DEGREE

Prerequisites: A bachelor's degree from an approved college or university; an undergraduate scholastic record that is above average, together with evidence of ability to perform graduate work satisfactorily; and completion of a preliminary core of nine semester hours in library science.

Undergraduate preparation should include academic rather than professional courses. Languages are considered basic for those interested in college or university library work. The preliminary core of nine semester hours in library science is satisfied at the University by courses 133a, 145, and either 110 or 121. Subject to the recommendation of the Head of the Department, these nine units may be taken during the first semester of the graduate program; comparable work taken elsewhere may reduce this requirement.

Requirements for the Master's Degree: Satisfactory completion of twenty-four semester hours of graduate work in library science, fulfillment of the residence requirement of 36 weeks; fulfillment of the requirement of a reading knowledge of one modern foreign language; preparation of a thesis; and passing a final oral examination in which the student is asked to defend his thesis and also is examined on any subject matter related to his field.

The residence requirement may be fulfilled by any combination of semesters or summer sessions which totals the required number of weeks. Subject to the recommendation of the Head of the Department, prospective students who have had previous training in Library Science may take up to one-third of their graduate work in courses in other departments. Such courses must be related closely to the student's field of specialization.