

# GLIS 614 Public Libraries

## Web Syllabus

### **Calendar Description**

Introduction and a Brief History of Public Libraries; What is a Public Library and How Does it Works; Youth Programming and Services; Adult Programming and Services; Collections and Circulation; Readers' Advisory; Customer Service and Marketing; Inspirational Spaces & Library Design; The Ethical Librarian; Maker Spaces and the Library; Outreach and community; The Public Library World and You

### **Learning Objectives**

- To gain a broad understanding of the public library world, understand how public libraries work and the issues they face
- To gain practical tools for working in a public library

### **Assessment\***

<b>Assignment/Project/Quiz/Exam</b>	<b>% of grade</b>	<b>Ind or Group</b>
Project management simulation		Ind
Building a business case	10%	
One-page pitch	10%	
Community communication	10%	
Genre Study	25%	Group
Innovative Libraries	30%	Ind
Participation (class workshops or myCourse forums)	15%	

### **Required Readings\***

2-4 articles are proposed for each class to help students get a grounding in the topics discussed that week. All articles will be available online

*\*note that readings and assignments can vary from year to year; updated detailed course outlines will be available on myCourses*