VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY MASTER OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCINCE

MLIS 7960 Supervised Fieldwork

Syllabus—Spring 2014 Three Credit Hours

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Catalog Description

Prerequisite: MLIS 7000, consent of advisor, consent of instructor. Graded as "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory." A minimum of 120 hours in approved library or information center. Learning objectives that are specific to the individual student's interests and goals will be identified collaboratively by the student, the on-site supervisor, and the instructor.

Learning Outcomes

To be identified collaboratively by the student, the on-site supervisor, and the instructor.

Off-site Requirements

Report your progress to the instructor using the MLIS 7960 BlazeVIEW web site after you complete 30 hours at your site, again after 60 hours, again after 90 hours, and finally after completion of 120 hours.

<u>Discussion Groups</u>: An introduction post, four update posts, and a final post are due as you complete each 30-hour increment and at the end of the course. Details will be provided in the course website.

Activity Logs: Four logs are due. Submit these to the relevant dropbox in the course website.

<u>Live Classrooms</u>: If people are interested, we can get together mid-semester for a Live Classroom. This would give you a chance to share information about the library, the community you serve, your activities, and your learning.

<u>Work Samples:</u> Toward the end of the semester, please put together a collection of artifacts that represents the parts of your fieldwork that most influenced your professional development. Collect photos, screen captures, or scans of excerpts from projects assigned to you as you go through your fieldwork. Plan to submit these artifacts at the end of the semester. They will be placed in your permanent file for future reference.

Grading

Supervised Fieldwork is graded as Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory based on successful completion of the course requirements. Both students and fieldwork site supervisors are asked to complete an exit survey at the end of the fieldwork experience.