

Hands on to get things done

As libraries strive to stay vital in their communities, more emphasis is placed on having an informed and well-trained staff that can stay knowledgeable on the complexities of library operation and interact effectively with the public. MCLS has many training workshops, webinars, and special programs developed and conducted by library professionals to help member libraries stay informed and up to date.





Here's how it works

Webinars are offered throughout the year on many subjects, and in-person workshops and special programs occur periodically. Special programs and in-person workshops provide a chance for librarians to interact and network, while webinars offer the convenience of learning from experts in the field from the comfort of your own library or home, and without any travel time necessary. Recognized leaders in the profession teach core library subjects, as well as soft skills and emerging and high interest topics, to keep library staff informed and up to date. We offer a large variety of cataloging courses, including RDA, MARC, LOC, DDC, and BIBFRAME. Our Cataloging Certificate program offers library staff the opportunity to earn basic or advanced competency certificates, simply by taking a required number of these courses.

MCLS courses meet requirements for earning mandated LEUs for Indiana librarians to maintain their certification. We also offer a variety of free MeL and MeL Database trainings for Michigan libraries.

Keeping the staff of our member libraries informed, certified, and proactive is a critical component of the MCLS mission - one we make affordable and accessible with our training workshop offerings.



Get the ball rolling

Call (800) 530-9019 ext 404 or email us at training@mcls.org today to discuss our workshop schedule in more detail. We'll advise you on the appropriate workshops for your staff, and consider your suggestions for new workshops to add to our offerings. It's as easy as that!

Just another reason to be a MCLS member

Our training workshops are just one of the ways MCLS helps make member libraries more vibrant and successful. Group purchasing and central licensing, community engagement, strategic planning, training & workshops ... the list goes on and on. Membership in MCLS puts a team of professionals in your corner, full-time.



