Are you a natural born organiser and communicator?
Are you passionate about helping others find the information resources they need?
Do you have a thirst for knowledge?
Are you organised, methodical and enjoy research?
Do you have or desire strong computer skills and a technical aptitude?

Graduates work...
> Libraries
> Information agencies
> Bookshops
> Publishing companies

Careers include...
information manager, library assistant, library technician, office administrator, curatorial assistant, gallery technician, information services officer, journals officer, audio visual librarian, cataloguer, children’s librarian, parliamentary librarian, and more...

Career facts
28,400 people
Employed as library professionals

Average weekly wage
$1,025 for records management (industry or role)

Employment outcomes
Library technician, information manager, librarian (with further study)

Industry facts sourced from: Service Skills Australia Environmental Scan 2014, Job Outlook, Australian Government Department of Employment, myfuture.gov.au, joboutlook.gov.au
Library and Information Services

Career path

Library

Certificate III

Information and Cultural Services
CUL30111
Career outcomes: Cultural services customer service officer, library assistant, museum assistant, museum visitor liaison officer

Certificate IV

Library Information and Cultural Services
CUL40111
Career outcomes: Collections management assistant, curatorial assistant, library assistant, museum installation assistant, museum visitor services team leader, small museum or gallery manager

Diploma

Library and Information Services
CUL50111
Career outcomes: Cultural centre director, library technician, small museum or gallery manager

Curator

Library and Information Services
CUL50111
Career outcomes: Cultural centre director, library technician, small museum or gallery manager

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)
You may be eligible for recognition of your prior learning and experience so you can fast-track your study.

Smart and Skilled – in some courses, your training may be partly subsidised by the NSW Government.
VET FEE-HELP or FEE-HELP – eligible students in certain courses repay loans when income reaches a certain level.

The Sydney TAFE difference

It’s real
Learn in our purpose-designed, simulated library and gain real experience – you’ll be ready for any workplace.

It’s the industry
Our teachers know the latest industry standards, practices and employers, giving you the knowledge and networks to make your career a success.

It’s accredited
Our Diploma course is fully accredited by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA).

A real career change
Wayne McIntryre was working in sales when he decided on a career change. Inspired by the helpful staff at his local library he decided to enrol in library and information services at Sydney TAFE.

The flexibility of his course allowed him to also working part-time in the Sydney Mechanics’ School of Arts. Wayne has the real world perspective offered by his teachers, and real world library work under his belt as he graduates. It’s no wonder that straight away, Wayne has earned himself a full-time role as a library coordinator.