

**Western Dakota Technical Institute**  
**800 Mickelson Drive**  
**Rapid City, SD 57703**

**Master Syllabus**

**Course Number:** LIBR 122  
**Course Name:** Children's and Young Adult Literature  
**Credits:** 3  
**Contact Hours:** 3 Lecture

**Course Description:** This is an introductory course for both children's and young adult literature. Content will emphasize selection and evaluation of books according to levels, interest, special needs, and educational objectives. Readers' advisory for youth is also reviewed.

**Prerequisites:** None

**Textbook:** <http://bookstore.wdt.edu/>

**Materials:** A computer, Internet access, Microsoft Office (*contact instructor for correct version*)

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

- Apply expertise in the area of print and digital youth media to provide quality reader advisory
- Apply expertise in digital technologies to the subject of children's materials such as e-books, downloadable audio, and reading apps
- Analyze youth materials for age appropriateness, diversity, and special needs, interests, and reading levels
- Utilize peer social media groups and professional children's literature blogs for information on current practices and trends in the field of children's literature
- Evaluate youth materials for selection in the private, public, and educational settings with emphasis on varying genres

**Assessment:** The following core abilities will be addressed: analytical skills, communication skills, social values, and employability.

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