

Four states – South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho, and Montana (SWIM) – have joined together to offer scholarships for library education.



October 2009

Application process begins

February 1, 2009

Deadline to Submit school application

March 15, 2010

Deadline to Submit scholarship application

April 30, 2010

Scholarship awards announced

Fall 2010

Students begin MLIS or SLME classes

Summer 2012

Students graduate

10
Montana
scholarships for
library education!

Eligibility: Scholarship applicants must be residents of a SWIM state and have a BA/BS degree by fall 2010. SWIM scholarships pay approximately 80% of tuition and fees.

What SWIM brings to Montana residents:

6 students will earn Masters of Library and Information Science (MLIS) degrees through the University of North Texas distance program:

- UNT website: <http://www.lis.unt.edu/main/ViewPage.php?cid=169>
UNT contact: Dr. Yvonne Chandler, Yvonne.Chandler@unt.edu

4 students will earn School Library Media Endorsement (SLME) credentials from MSU or UM distance programs (endorsement applicants must have MT teaching credentials by fall 2010):

- MSU website: <http://www.montana.edu/libmedia/index.html>
MSU contact: Dr. Janis Bruwelheide, libmedia@montana.edu
- UM website: <http://www.umt.edu/ce/deo/external/lmedia.asp>
UM contact: Michael Schulz, m_schulz@umwestern.edu

After graduation, scholarship recipients will work two years in a full-time professional librarian position in the SWIM region.

Questions about SWIM scholarships?

- SWIM website: <http://www.msl.mt.gov/swim/>
SWIM contact: Sue Jackson – sujackson@mt.gov

SWIM is funded by the IMLS Laura Bush Librarians for the 21st Century Grant Program.

