(a) The North Carolina Public Librarian Certification Commission shall issue public librarian certificates to applicants who have received graduate degrees in library and information science from programs accredited by the American Library Association or from regionally-accredited programs of higher education in North Carolina.

(b) Coursework must include the following core courses:

   (1) cataloging,
   (2) reference,
   (3) collection development, and
   (4) library management.

(c) Courses specifically designed for school, media center, academic, or special librarianship, must reflect general principles of librarianship.

History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-67; Eff. September 1, 2011; Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. July 22, 2017.