## THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

## **Information Item**

## Establishment of a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Youth Literature and Services (CIP Code 25.0102)

The College of Communication and Information Sciences at The University of Alabama currently offers a focused area of study in Youth Services, preparing librarians to effectively serve children and young adults in library and literacy environments for students in the Master of Library & Information Studies (MLIS) degree. The Youth Literature and Services Certificate is designed to train individuals to serve the diverse literacy needs of youth (children and young adults) through culturally responsive, age-appropriate print and digital materials and literacy programming. Completion of five courses (15 semester credit hours) will be required for this certificate, which is available to degree-seeking and non-degree seeking graduate students.