Continuing Education: Or, How Do I Learn More?

Continuing Education (CE) is formal instruction for those who wish to keep up with changes and innovations in the library field. For librarians, continuing education opportunities include courses offered online or traditionally through a library school, training provided by commercial vendors, and workshops sponsored by bibliographic service centers and library associations, as well as independent study.

There's always something new to learn in libraries. Whether you are a new library worker, a mid-career librarian, senior management, support staff, a trustee, or a student employee, the Idaho Commission for Libraries offers an abundance of continuing education resources for your professional development, including:

Online Learning

Niche Academy

- An online learning platform built for libraries with interactive tutorials on a variety of topics.
- https://my.nicheacademy.com/idaho

ABLE

- The Alternative Basic Library Education Program (ABLE) provides self-paced basic library training for library staff.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov/continuing-education/

Library Learning Online

This ICfL offering comprises self-paced courses to expand the skills of library staff.

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Section VII: Additional Topics:

https://libraries.idaho.gov//continuing-education/librarylearning-online

eBook Collection

- Fine eBooks on topics of interest to Idaho library staff.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//the-collection



Financial Support

Access Partner Training

- Apply to access paid training opportunities available to Idaho library staff.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//partner-training

CE Grants

- Apply for funds to attend a conference, take library science courses, attend leadership development or group training.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//ce-grants

Virtual Conference Kits

- Available on a first-come, first-served basis to applicants with a demonstrated need for them.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//virtual-conference-kits

Webinars

o Info2Go!

- The ICfL's monthly live webinar series brings a variety of topics to Idaho library workers.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//info2go

Libraries in Idaho Talking Trends (LITT)

- Regular virtual conversations with members of the Idaho library community on a number of relevant topics.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov/litt/

Webinars & Presentations

- Additional collected ICfL webinars and presentations.
- https://libraries.idaho.gov//archived-webinars-and-presentations

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