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## Free Library-Related E-Learning Sites

Courtesy of Marianne Lenox at the <http://Library20.ning.com> site

actual address for listing:

<http://library20.ning.com/profiles/blog/show?id=515108%3ABlogPost%3A30994>

### GENERAL

- [LibraryU](http://learning.libraryu.org/home/): Courses for library staff and patrons created by the Illinois Library Systems and the Illinois State Library. Highly recommended. -- <http://learning.libraryu.org/home/>
- [SirsiDynix Institute](http://www.sirsidynixinstitute.com/): Live online seminars by library industry leaders on timely topics; also features free archive of past seminars -- <http://www.sirsidynixinstitute.com/>
- [WebJunction's Online Learning Opportunities](http://webjunction.org/do/Navigation?category=372): free (and fee-based) courses from the WebJunction community and other library organizations, includes link to the newly created E-learning Clearinghouse -- <http://webjunction.org/do/Navigation?category=372>

### BASIC SKILLS

- [Idaho State Library - Alternative Basic Library Education \(ABLE\)](http://libraries.idaho.gov/able): Online tutorials on basic library skills -- <http://libraries.idaho.gov/able>
- [Idaho State Library - Supplemental Alternative Basic Library Education \(SABLE\)](http://libraries.idaho.gov/sable): Online tutorials on topics that are supplemental to basic library skills -- <http://libraries.idaho.gov/sable>
- [Grand Valley State University's Library Skills Tutorial](http://library.brooklyn.cuny.edu/regalado/chiefstutorials/gvsu.htm) Excellently organized, thoroughly comprehensive presentation of important library concepts, beginning at the most elementary level. The repeated message to "ask a reference librarian" is especially valuable, as is the detailed coverage of periodical resources and database searching. -- <http://library.brooklyn.cuny.edu/regalado/chiefstutorials/gvsu.htm>
- [Ohio Library Council](http://www.olc.org/orientation/index.html): Self-paced online modules cover topics such as new staff orientation for public libraries, ~~basic reference and library marketing~~ -- <http://www.olc.org/orientation/index.html>

## **CATALOGING**

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## **COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT**

- [Arizona State Library Overview of Collection Development](http://www.lib.az.us/cdt/intro.htm) Provides practical training in how to perform collection development activities in public libraries -- <http://www.lib.az.us/cdt/intro.htm>

## **COMMUNICATION (ESPECIALLY WITH CONGRESS / LEGISATORS)**

- [ALA's Advocacy Training](http://www.advocacyclassroom.com/homepage.cfm) Communication 101: How to Communicate Effectively with Congress -- <http://www.advocacyclassroom.com/homepage.cfm>

## **COPYRIGHT**

- [The Center for Intellectual Property at the University of Maryland University College offers an online, interactive tutorial on copyright basics called the ©Primer](http://www-apps.umuc.edu/primer/enter.php). The Primer is a interactive online tool to assist educating faculty, staff and students about copyright principles and compliance. -- <http://www-apps.umuc.edu/primer/enter.php>

## **BASIC INTERNET**

- [Lake Sumter Community College \(FL\) Internet Essentials Tutorial](http://www.lscf.cc.fl.us/library/guides/internet.aspx). A basic self-paced, text-based tutorial on internet skills -- <http://www.lscf.cc.fl.us/library/guides/internet.aspx>

## **MANAGEMENT**

- [Texas State's Small Library Management Program](http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/tutorials/professionalism/index.html) Courses in Professionalism and Librarianship. -- <http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/tutorials/professionalism/index.html>

## **MARKETING / PUBLIC RELATIONS**

- [Ohio Library Council's "Marketing the Library"](http://www.olc.org/marketing/) Web-based staff training for public library marketing. Six self-paced modules, with examples, exercises, quizzes, and links to web marketing resources. -- <http://www.olc.org/marketing/>

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

## **REFERENCE / SEARCHING SKILLS**

- [Library of Congress Professional Development Self-serve Workshops](#): Online modules on a variety of topics including search skills, primary sources, basic technology --  
<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/learn/educators/workshop/ssindex.html>
- [Library of Congress Webcasts](#): Webcasts on topics of interest to librarians and archivists --  
<http://www.loc.gov/today/cyberlc/results.php?cat=2&mode=a>
- [National Library of Medicine Distance Education Program Resources](#): Short tutorials on various medical library resources such as PubMed and MedlinePLUS -- [http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/dist\\_edu.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/dist_edu.html)
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<http://www.sc.edu/beaufort/library/pages/bones/bones.shtml>
- [University of South Florida's Librarians Serving Genealogists](#). This free tutorial is maintained by a USF LIS instructor. --  
<http://www.cas.usf.edu/lis/genealib/>

## **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

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[Bibliographical Center for Research](#): Free Friday Forums pertaining to OCLC, Internet, Web design, cataloging and ILL topics --  
<http://www.bcr.org/training/online/fff/>

## **TRUSTEES**

A series of guides Prepared by the Kansas State Library and the Kansas Library Trustee Association

<http://skyways.lib.ks.us/KSL/development/trusteetopics.html>

[Recruitment and Selection of Trustees](#); [Orientation of New Trustees](#); [Board Organization](#); [Effective Board Meetings](#); [Effective Documentation for Library Boards](#); [Library Policies](#); [Responsibilities of Library Boards and Directors](#); [Caring for the Library Director's Position](#); [Staff Compensation](#); [Budget Issues for Library Trustees](#); [Legal Responsibilities of Board Members](#); [Legal Issues and Your Library](#); [Evaluation and Planning](#); [Marketing Issues for Trustees](#); [Library Advocacy](#)

**The PBworks Manual** (<http://usermanual.pbworks.com/>) and [30-second training videos](#) can help show you how to edit, add videos and invite users.

<http://pbworks.com/content/supportcenter>

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- ~~[OPAL](http://www.opal-online.org/): an international collaborative effort by libraries of all types to provide web-based programs and training for library users and library staff members; administered by the Alliance Library System, the mid-Illinois Talking Book Center and the Illinois State Library Talking Book and Braille Service -- <http://www.opal-online.org/>~~
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Drawn from [Stephanie Gerding's Accidental Technology Trainer List](#) with a few new links for good measure. --

<http://home.earthlink.net/~stephaniegerding/accidentaltechnologytrainer/id2.html>

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