

Library Technician Development in Canada to 2015

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Some of the data is incomplete. Dates in parentheses following a personal name indicate that information about the person was found associated with that date.

The information below is listed by province and includes date of establishment (and date of closing, if applicable); special aspects; method of program delivery, names and dates of heads of programs (titles vary: director, coordinator, program head, program chair, etc.)

Alberta

MacEwan University

Edmonton (originally Grant MacEwan Community College, then Grant MacEwen College).

URL: www.gmcc.ab.ca

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|-------------|---|
| Opened 1971 | Day program with some onsite WebCT components |
| 1971-1972 | S. Subbarao |
| 1972-1975 | Marilyn Neuman |
| 1975-1981 | Ann Curry |
| 1981-2010 | Tony Fell |
| 2010- | Norene James |

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

Calgary (program originally provided by Mount Royal College, Calgary, sometime before 1973). URL:

www.sait.ab.ca

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|-----------------|--|--|
| Opened 1967 | Day program; evening courses suspended; first distance education course 1979; expect that by 2006 all courses will also be available by Internet access. | |
| 1967-1973 | Martin Foss | |
| 1973-1975 | Bill Manson | |
| 1975-1986 | Gary MacDonald | |
| 1987-1990 | Margaret Anderson | |
| 1991-1995 | Mike Parkinson (Program Supervisor) | |
| 1996-2003 | Mike Parkinson (Team Leader) | |
| 2000-2002 | Willem Sijpheer (Coordinator) | |
| 2004-2011 2011- | Mike Parkinson (Coordinator) Sandra Lee | |

British Columbia

Langara College

(formerly Vancouver City College and Vancouver Community College; name changed to Langara College in 1994) URL: www.langara.bc.ca

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|-------------|---|--|
| Opened 1966 | One-year certificate program until 1971; two-year diploma program 1971- . Day program: full program; classroom and on-line options available. | |
| 1966-1969 | Marjorie Sing | |
| 1969-1974 | Virginia Chisholm | |
| 1974-1988 | Joan Anastasiou | |
| 1988-1991 | Marilyn Ming | |
| 1991-1995 | Ann Calla | |
| 1995-1996 | Ann Calla and Guy Robertson | |
| 1996-1998 | Ann Calla | |
| 1998-2005 | Jacqueline Bradshaw | |
| 2005-2011 | Carol Elder | |
| 2011- | Susan Burdak | |

University of the Fraser Valley

Abbotsford (originally Fraser Valley College to 1991)
URL: www.ucfv.ca/libtech

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| Opened 1980 | One-year program with option to take second year at Langara College 1980-1982; two-year program 1982- . 3 optional streams: Library, Records Management, Information Technology. Day program; a few courses offered both day and online. Full program online option in collaboration with Langara College. | |
| 1980-1996 | Pat Sifton | |
| 1996-1997 | Kim Isaac | |
| 1997-1998 | Tim Atkinson | |
| 1998-1999 | Kim Issac | |
| 1999-2002 | Tim Atkinson | |
| 2002-2006 | Jan Lashbrook Green | |
| 2007- | Christina Neigel | |

Manitoba

Red River Community College

Winnipeg (originally Manitoba Institute of Technology, 1962-1967; Manitoba Institute of Applied Arts, 1968-1969; Red River Community College, 1970- .
URL: www.rrc.mb.ca/Catalogue?ProgramInfo.aspx?ProgCode=LIBIF-DP&RegionCode=WPG

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|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Opened 1962 | one-year Library Assistant program, 1962-1969; one-year Library Technician program, 1978-1993; two-year program, September 1993- . Day and distance education. Student intake in odd-numbered years coordinated with intake at Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology where intake in even-numbered years. (Library Training Certificate is also available on completion of seven courses.) | |
| 1962-1969 | Gertrude Perrin | |
| 1969-1973 | Michael Angel | |
| 1973-1974 | Jane Davidson | |
| 1974-1978 | Judi Dowall; 1977-1978 Linda Coupal | |
| 1978-1981 | Nancy Bridges; Paul Nielson | |
| 1982-1989 | Margaret Ann Fowler; 1981-1985 Ganga Dakshinamirta; 1987-88 Bonita Cobb | |
| 1989-1990 | Diana Guinn; Tamara Opar | |
| 1991-1993 | Paula Noyes (1991-Position of coordinator discontinued); Tamara Opar | |
| 1990-2007 | Instructor: Jo Ann Brewster; 1990- Paula Noyes | |
| 1993-2005 2005-2007-2010 2010- | Instructor: Patricia Routledge Instructor: Brian Rountree Instructor: Sherri Volkey Instructor: Tabitha Ann Nordby | |

Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia Community College

Halifax (program originally at the Kingstec Community College in Kentville (1985-1992); additional program at NSCC (1992-1993); in 1994 Kingstec became part of NSCC as the Kingstec Campus; Kingstec program moved to Halifax and amalgamated with NSCC program in 2001). Since 2004 Memorial University in Saint John's, Newfoundland, has had a Memorandum of Agreement with NSCC that allows Memorial students to get certain credits transferred to NSCC for credit towards a diploma. URL: www.nscc.ns.ca

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| Opened 1985 | Day program and distance education, Internet |
| 1985-1996 | Laura Draper (Kingstec) |
| 1992-1998 | Carol Compton-Smith (NSCC) |
| 1996-2001 | Harvey Ratchford (Kingstec) |
| 1998-2001 | Marlene Mortimore (NSCC) |
| 2001-2004 | Marlene Mortimore and Harvey Ratchford |
| 2004- | Harvey Ratchford, Joanne Doucet, and Joanne Hodder |

Ontario

Algonquin College of Applied Arts and Technology

Ottawa. URL: www.algonquincollege.com

Originally opened 1967, discontinued 1968, reopened 1970; bilingual program until 1989 when French-language program transferred to La Cité. Day and continuing education

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| 1967-1968 | Jim Feeley |
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|-----------------|--|
| 1970-1971 | Maureen McCormack Brown |
| 1971-1980 | Peggy Scott White (English Section) |
| 1980-1986 | Jean Painter |
| 1986-1987 | Annette Bouvier |
| 1987-1998 | Jean Painter |
| 1998-2006 | Janet Jacobsen |
| 2006 2009 2009- | Mac Nason Helena Merriam |
| 1971-1989 | André Houde (French Section called Bibliothèquequique) |

Cambrian College of Applied Arts and Technology

Sudbury

Opened 1967, closed 1980; final graduation 1982. Courses offered through continuing education to mid-1970s, then one course offered in day program in addition to continuing education (information incomplete)

| | |
|-----------|--------------------|
| 1967-1968 | K. V. Perry |
| 1968-1970 | Ruby Lee Collins |
| 1970-1972 | Maryanne Buchowski |
| 1972-1973 | George Tompkins |
| 1973-1974 | Maryanne Buchowski |
| 1974-1977 | Dick Pentney |
| 1978-1982 | Adolphe Amadi |

La Cité collégiale

Ottawa

Opened 1989 (transferred from Algonquin CAAT), closed 1999; French language program; day, evening

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| 1989-1991 | Andre Houde |
| 1991-1999 | Joanne Cournoyer |

Durham College

Oshawa

Opened 2013; daytime only.

URL <http://www.durhamcollege.ca/programs/library-and-information-technician>

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| 2013- | Susan Pratt |
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Fanshawe College of Applied Arts and Technology

London

Opened 1970, closed 2000; last enrolment 1998. Closed because college did not support programs with small enrolments that needed technological upgrades. Day and occasional evening and correspondence courses.

| | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 1970-1977 | Clifford Weaver |
| 1977-1993 | Shirley Edgar |
| 1994-2000 | Marie Wiley |

Georgian College of Applied Arts and Technology

Barrie

Opened 1983, closed 1999. Part-time evening and Saturdays. Managed by a group of three – a Part time Studies Manager, an advisory committee chairperson, and the Learning Resource Centre Library Director.

| | Part time Studies Program Managers: |
|------------|--|
| 1983-1984 | Laurie Jones |
| 1984-1987 | Lynne Stevenson |
| 1988-1994 | Janet Arnett |
| 1994-1996 | Lesley Gordon |
| 1997-1998 | Carol Greenwood |
| 1998-1999 | Rosemary Gardner |
| | Advisory Chairs: |
| 1984?-1993 | Janet Isles |
| 1993-1994 | Dianne Auguston |
| 1994-1998 | Katherine Wallis |
| 1998-1999 | Joanne Comper |
| | Learning Resource Centre Directors: |
| 1984-1989 | Phil Hull |
| 1990-1996 | Michele Beaudoin |
| 1997-1999 | Jennifer Varcoe |

Lakehead University

Thunder Bay

Opened 1966, closed 2002. B.A. program in Library and Information Studies 1988-1990 (four students allowed to continue and graduate 1991).

| | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 1966-1972 | Dan Sudar |
| 1972-1986 | Fred McIntosh |
| 1986-1987 | Leonora Aedy |
| 1987-2002 | Margaret McLean |

Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology

Hamilton

Opened 1975; extension program only; gradual move to Internet-delivered program begun in 1994;

in-class courses ended 1999; Internet-delivered only program.

URL :<http://disted.mohawkcollege.ca/library>

| | |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| 1975-1982 | Wendy (Moriarity) Newman |
| 1982-1983 | Harry Campbell |
| 1983-2000 | Lois Wall |
| 2000- | Dolores Harms Penner |

Niagara College of Applied Arts and Technology

Welland

Opened 1967, closed 1988; information about the program unavailable

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|-----------|---------------|
| 1967-1988 | Robert Bowman |
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Ryerson Polytechnical Institute

Toronto

Opened 1967, closed 1983 when Ryerson became a university (students given five years to complete their studies through continuing education). Two-year program; day and part-time; one year special fast track for those with a BA option

| | |
|-----------|---------------|
| 1967-1973 | Muriel Morgan |
| 1974-1980 | Dean Tudor |
| 1980-1983 | Ian Dutton |

St. Clair College of Applied Arts and Technology

Windsor

Opened 1967; 1967-1969 one-year programme; 1969-1976 two-year program; closed 1976

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|-----------|----------------|
| 1967-1974 | Eleanor Haddow |
| 1974-1976 | Dev Bala Tuti |

Seneca College of Applied Arts and Technology

Toronto

Opened 1967; two-year program; day and continuing education; accelerated day program option.

URL: www.senecac.on.ca

| | |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| 1967-1968 | Alexis Jamieson |
| 1968-1986 | Jean Weihs |
| 1986-2003 | Frances Davidson-Arnott |
| 2003- | Deborah Kay |

Sheridan College of Applied Arts and Technology

Oakville

Opened 1970, day and continuing education; Health Science option 1974-1981; Information Technology Certificate (continuing education) 1985-1992; Mississauga Library Skills certificate 1986-1988; Online Distance Education 1996-2000; program closed 2000

| | |
|-----------|------------------|
| 1970-1974 | Hal Mowat |
| 1974-1983 | Geraldine Hughes |
| 1983-2000 | Marion Wilburn |

Quebec

Cégep de Jonquière

Jonquière

Opened 1966; ceased admissions 2003, program closed 2005.

| | |
|-----------|----------------------|
| 1966-1971 | Léonard Nadeau |
| 1971-1977 | Roland Aubut |
| 1977-1980 | Bernard Charbonneau |
| 1980-1983 | Louise Gagnon-Arguin |
| 1983-1985 | Guy Mongrain |
| 1985-1988 | Roland Aubut |
| 1988-1991 | Guy Mongrain |
| 1991-1994 | Louise Lapointe |
| 1994-1996 | Guy Mongrain |
| 1996-1998 | Suzanne Bourgault |
| 1998-1999 | Guy Mongrain |
| 1999-2001 | Francine Chagnon |
| 2001-2003 | Suzanne Bourgault |
| 2003-2005 | Louise Lapointe |

Cégep de l'Abitibi-Témiscamingue

Rouyn (name originally Collège du Nord-Ouest)

Opened 1966; closed ?; Information incomplete

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|------------|-------------------|
| 1966-1985? | Fleurette Cotnoir |
| 1986-1987 | Louise Lanouette |
| 1988-1995? | Françoise Gagnon |

Cégep de l'Outaouais

Hull

Opened 1969; information incomplete.

URL: www.cegepoutaouais.qc.ca

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1969-? | Louise Blanchet |
| 1974-? | Roger Corneau |
| 1986-1987 | Danielle Thibault |
| 1988-1990 | Marthe Francoer |
| 1992-1993 | Roger Corneau |
| 1994-1995 | Isabelle Lesage |
| 1995-1999 | Roger Corneau |
| 2003- 2005 2005-2007 2007-2011 2011- | Danielle Thibault Clarisse Bélanger-Gill Sylvie C. Morin Lucie Pagé |

Cégep de Maisonneuve

Montreal

Opened 1968; day program; evening courses discontinued 2001. Information incomplete.

URL: www.tdo.cmaisonneuve.qc.ca

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1968-? | Michel St. Pierre |
| 1986-1987 | Ginette Allard |
| 1988-1989 | Michel St. Pierre |
| 1990-1995 | Ginette Allard |
| 1996-1997 | Pierre Manseau & Michel Saint-Pierre |
| 1997-2000 | Katy Simard |
| 1999- 2003 2003-2007 2007-2010 2010- | Nicole René Ginette Allard Guy Champagne Luce Anne Courchesne |

Cégep de Trois-Rivières

Trois-Rivières

Opened 1968.

URL: www.cegeptr.qc.ca

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|-----------|------------------|
| 1968-1983 | Roland Girard |
| 1983-1990 | Clémence Vaudrin |
| 1990-1993 | Yves Ducasse |
| 1993-1994 | Denise Blanchard |
| 1994-1995 | Nicole Malo |
| 1995-2000 | André Thibault |
| 2000-2001 | Richard Loranger |
| 2001-2005 | Clémence Vaudrin |

Cégep François-Xavier-Garneau

Quebec

Opened 1971.

URL: www.cegep-fxg.qc.ca

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|---------------------------|---|
| 1971-1973 | Renée Girard |
| 1973-1974 | Louise Savard |
| 1974-1977 | Robert Chiasson |
| 1977-1978 | Nebel Gernot and Louise Savard |
| 1978-1979 | Denis Boily and Lise Roy |
| 1979-1980 | Lise Roy |
| 1980-1982 | Louise Savard |
| 1982-1984 | Robert Chiasson |
| 1984-1985 | Lise Roy |
| 1986-1987 | Nebel Gernot and Denis Boily |
| 1987-1989 | Lise Roy |
| 1989-1991 | Robert Chiasson |
| 1991-1994 | Lise Roy |
| 1994-1998 | Dominique Trottier |
| 1998-2002 | Lise Roy |
| 2002-2003 | Julie Gauthier |
| 2003-2004 2006-2009 2009- | Aline Néron Mario Goupil Dominique Trottier |

Cégep Lionel-Groulx

Terrebonne

Opened 1969; Information incomplete.

URL: www.clg.qc.ca

| | |
|-----------|-----------------------|
| 1969-? | Françoise Jobin-Brulé |
| 1985-1987 | Jacques Paradis |
| 1989-1990 | Lise Calvé |
| 1992-1996 | Danielle Daoust |
| 1998-2000 | Jacques Paradis |
| 2001- | Jean-Pierre Chabot |

Champlain Regional College

Lennoxville

Opened 1972; closed 1977; English-language program

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| 1972-1977 | Gregory Rickerby |
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Concordia University

Montreal (originally Loyola College and Sir George Williams University)

Opened 1971; admission to the program was suspended January 1, 1997; students were given five years to complete their requirements. Reduced provincial government funding caused Concordia to close small programs.

| | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| 1971-1976 | Melba Wilson |
| 1976-1986 | Ann Galler |
| 1986-1989 | Joanne Locke |
| 1989-1998 | Marlene Giguère |

John Abbott College

Ste. Anne de Bellevue

Opened 1972; English-language three-year program; two-year option for students with college diplomas or university degrees

URL: www.johnabbott.qc.ca

| | |
|----------------|------------------|
| 1972 (2 weeks) | Karen Gay |
| 1972-1999 | Rabab Naqvi |
| 2000 - | Christine Jacobs |

Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology

Kelsey Campus, Saskatoon (previous names: Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences (1968-1974); Kelsey Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences (1974-1988); Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology (1988-1992); Kelsey Institute, Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology (1992-1997).

URL: www.siastr.sk.ca

Opened 1969; one-year programme 1969-1994; two-year program 1994- . Day, continuing education, distance education, Internet. Bridging Program offered 1994-1999 for one-year graduates to update to diploma.

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| 1969-1975 | Barbara Zimmer |
| 1975-1984 | Alice Hegel |
| 1984- | Marjorie Kennedy |

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