

### **Trustee Education Certificates**

Events offered through the MHLS Trustee Education Series, the Trustee Handbook Book Club, and the Trustee Academy of the MHLS Training on Demand service satisfy the [NYS Trustee Education Requirements](#).

It is possible that other offerings from MHLS that are open to more than just trustees could count towards the NYS Trustee Education Requirements, if they meet the intent of the Trustee Education Law in New York State. For example, events on topics such as financial oversight, fiduciary responsibilities, compliance and the general powers and duties of a library trustee likely would count towards the required number of annual hours. While trustees are welcome to participate in MHLS education offerings outside these topic areas for personal growth, trustee education credit will not be provided.

To earn a MHLS issued certificate at eligible events, trustees must either:

- Attend an in-person or live online event\* for the entirety of the session  
OR
- Complete the course through the Trustee Education Academy on the MHLS Training Demand Platform (this option is available to MHLS Member Library Trustees ONLY)

\*Certificates can only be issued when MHLS can verify an individual's participation. Trustees viewing in a group setting, meaning trustees participating under someone else's registration login, will need to use the [self-assurance form](#) provided by the New York State Library.

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