

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION STUDIES: CAMPUS DELIVERED PROGRAM, M.A.

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS

MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students are able to complete a program with minimal disruptions to careers and other commitments.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirements Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement 39 credits

Minimum Residence Credit Requirement 33 credits

Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement A minimum of 30 credits must be taken from graduate-level Information School M.A. coursework; courses with the Graduate Level Coursework attribute are identified and searchable in the university's Course Guide (<http://my.wisc.edu/CourseGuideRedirect/BrowseByTitle> (<http://my.wisc.edu/CourseGuideRedirect/BrowseByTitle/>)).

The remaining 9 credits of coursework must be 300 level or above and may not include iSchool undergraduate coursework.

Overall 3.00 GPA required.

Graduate GPA Requirement

Other Grade Requirements Within the student's total program, one grade of BC or C is allowable in either a required or elective course if it is balanced by a grade of A or AB earned prior to or concurrently with the unsatisfactory grade. A second grade of BC or C or any grade of D or F will normally result in the student being dropped from the program.

Assessments and Examinations Candidates must complete a minimum of a 120-hour practicum, and must complete a portfolio.

Language Requirements No language requirements.

REQUIRED COURSES

The program has three courses that all students must take. These courses are foundational to the field and provide prerequisite knowledge for more advanced courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
L I S 601	Information: Perspectives and Contexts	3
L I S 602	Information: Organization and Search	3
L I S 603	Research and Assessment for Information Professionals	3

Management Courses

Choose at least 3 credits from the following:		3
L I S 654	Information Services Management	
L I S 712	The Public Library	
L I S 732	Strategic Information Services	

Technology Courses

Choose at least 3 credits from the following:		3
L I S 500	Code and Power	
L I S 644	Digital Tools, Trends and Debates	
L I S 646	Introduction to Info Architecture and Interaction Design for the Web	
L I S 668	Digital Curation and Collections	
L I S 751	Database Design for Information Professionals	
L I S 768	Digital Humanities Analytics	

Practicum		3
Most students fulfill the practicum requirement by taking:		
L I S/CURRIC 620	Field Project in Library and Information Agencies	

Electives 21

E-Portfolio

Students may take up to 9 credits of electives outside of the iSchool. All non-LIS electives must be approved by the student's advisor.

Total Credits 39

Students seeking school library media certification have additional required courses; for details, see <https://ischool.wisc.edu/programs/>

[masters-degree-program/concentrations/librarianship/school-library-media-program/](#).