LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, MS

for the degree of Master of Science Major in Library & Information Science

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The MS in LIS is accredited by the American Library Association (ALA). Two scheduling options are available to students pursuing the MS degree.

On-campus or Online

The on-campus option serves students who are in residence at Urbana-Champaign, as well as part-time, commuting students. The online scheduling option is an online education option that uses the Internet and other information technologies for delivery.

A thesis is not required but is available as an option. Students prepare for careers in all types of information organizations. Examples of the professional positions graduates hold include: internet trainer, webmaster, and knowledge manager, as well as work in reference, automated systems, cataloging, youth services, school media, and other positions in public, academic, school, and special libraries.

This degree program can be completed with or without a thesis, either on campus or online; the requirements are listed below:

**Thesis Option**

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Total Hours: 40

**Other Requirements**

- Other requirements may overlap
- Minimum Hours Required Within the 28 Unit: 28
- Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall: 12

The credit-no credit option can only be applied to courses taken outside the library and information science curriculum and courses taken with this option can't be applied to the degree.

- Minimum GPA: 2.75

**Non-Thesis Option**

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