LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE, PHD

for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy: Major in Library & Information Science

department catalog page: iSchool (http://catalog.illinois.edu/ischool)
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overview of college admissions & requirements: college website: School of Information Sciences (https://ischool.illinois.edu)

The Ph.D. program consists of the following components:

1. a history and foundations of LIS seminar (4 graduate hours);
2. research methods (8 or more graduate hours);
3. electives (36 graduate hours);
4. field exam; and
5. thesis (32 or more graduate hours).

Thus, a minimum of 48 graduate hours of coursework plus 32 graduate hours of thesis credit are required.

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