INFORMATION STUDIES (SCHOOL OF)

The School of Information Studies (SOIS) degree programs prepare students for careers in the Information Technology and Library professions. Our academic programs are designed to meet the challenges of the digital world and an ever-expanding information landscape. SOIS graduates are prepared for careers across the spectrum of information, data, and technology.

Bachelor of Science in Information Science & Technology (BSIST)
The Bachelor of Science in Information Science and Technology (BSIST) combines core IT skills like front-end web design, programming and project management, with electives that you choose. The only degree of its kind in the UW System, the BSIST degree will set you apart from the competition.

Bachelor of Science in Data Analytics
The Bachelor of Science in Data Analytics is a special degree program that includes courses from the College of Letters and Science, the School of Information Studies, and other UWM colleges to provide a solid general education as well as an interdisciplinary approach to data analytics. The BS in Data Analytics at UWM is unique because its goal is to train students to practice data analytics in a field they are most passionate about. Students take foundational classes to build core data analytics skills, then specialize in data analytics for business, health, information science, natural sciences, social sciences, or geographic information sciences.

Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS)
The Master of Library & Information Science (MLIS) program, accredited by the American Library Association since 1976, prepares librarians and information professionals to manage change in an urbanized, technologically oriented and knowledge-based society. Its systematic course of study enables individuals with a strong service orientation to apply principles of library and information science, to use current methods and tools, and to recognize the value of research.

Master of Science in Information Science & Technology (MSIST)
The Master of Science in Information Science and Technology (MSIST) is a professional graduate degree program for those who seek advanced training to meet the ever-increasing need for information technology (IT) professionals. The MSIST will provide essential skills and knowledge in the following areas:

- **Data science**: Provides students with advanced knowledge and skills to manage data sets generated by applications.
- **Information security**: Focuses on techniques ensuring the security of all data captured, stored and analyzed through applications.

Doctor of Philosophy in Information Studies (PhD)
The Doctor of Philosophy in Information Studies prepares graduates for academic and professional careers where an in-depth knowledge of research processes and evaluation is needed. The program emphasizes the study of the representation, storage, retrieval, use, and impact of information resources on society. Graduates will contribute to the knowledge base of the discipline and will take on leadership roles as scholars and administrators in the discipline and the profession.

For information on SOIS’s degree programs please see the SOIS website (https://uwm.edu/informationstudies/).

**Undergraduate**

- Cybersecurity, Undergraduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/cybersecurity-undergraduate-certificate/)
- Data Analytics, BS (School of Information Studies) (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/data-analytics-bs/)
- Information Science and Technology, BS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/information-science-technology-bs/)
- Information Science and Technology, Minor (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/information-science-technology-minor/)
- School Librarianship, Undergraduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/school-librarianship-undergraduate-certificate/)

**Graduate**

- Information Science and Technology, MS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/information-science-technology-ms/)
- Information Science and Technology, MLIS/Library and Information Science, MS/Library and Information Science, MLIS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-sciences-mlis/)
- Library and Information Science, MS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/library-information-science-mlis/)
- Library and Information Science, MLIS/Anthropology, MS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/library-information-science-mlis-anthropology-ms/)
- Library and Information Science, MLIS/Art History, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/library-information-science-mlis-art-history-ma/)
- Library and Information Science, MLIS/English, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/library-information-science-mlis-english-ma/)
- Library and Information Science, MLIS/Geography, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/library-information-science-mlis-geography-ma/)
- Library and Information Science, MLIS/Health Care Informatics, MS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/...
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• Library and Information Science, MLIS/History, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-history-ma/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS/Language, Literature, and Translation, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-language-literature-translation-ma/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS/Music, MM (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-music-mm/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS/Translation and Interpreting Studies, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-translation-interpreting-studies-ma/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS/Urban Studies, MS (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-urban-studies-ms/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS/Women’s and Gender Studies, MA (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-womens-gender-studies-ma/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS: Archival Studies (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-mlis-archival-studies-mlis/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS: Information Organization (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-organization-mlis/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS: Information Technology (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-technology-mlis/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS: Public Library (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-public-mlis/)
• Library and Information Science, MLIS: School Librarianship (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/library-information-science-school-librarianship-mlis/)

**Doctoral**

• Information Studies, PhD (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/information-studies-phd/)

**Graduate Certificates**

• Advanced Study in Archives and Records Administration, Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/advanced-study-archives-records-administration-graduate-certificate/)
• Advanced Study in Digital Libraries, Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/advanced-study-digital-libraries-graduate-certificate/)
• Cyber Crime Forensics, Graduate Certificate (School of Information Studies) (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/cyber-crime-forensics-graduate-certificate/)
• Data Curation, Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/data-curation-graduate-certificate/)
• Information Security, Graduate Certificate (http://catalog.uwm.edu/community-engagement-professions/information-studies/information-security-graduate-certificate/)

**Requirements for Employment, Licensing, or Professional Organizations**

Students should be aware that some professions, occupations, and employers are subject to licensing and/or bonding requirements. When a course of study includes clinical or field training, practice teaching, internships, or the like, students may be subjected to a check of criminal conviction records, prior to acceptance of a student by the placement site. Students are responsible for obtaining the information necessary for them to become knowledgeable about these requirements and plan their studies accordingly. Please contact the appropriate department or program office for further information.

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