LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE, MLIS/WOMEN’S & GENDER STUDIES, MA

In collaboration with several other academic units at UW-Milwaukee, SOIS offers students the opportunity to obtain two Master’s degrees concurrently—one in Library and Information Science (MLIS) and one in a subject area.

Degree Requirements
- The number of degree credits needed for each of the coordinated programs is usually 12 fewer than the sum of the two programs if they were not taken simultaneously. All degree requirements of each component must be satisfied.
- The MLIS portion of the coordinated degrees can be completed online.
- Prerequisite to the award of either degree in this program is the simultaneous award of its counterpart degree.

MLIS Component
The Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS) component of each of the coordinated programs includes 30 credits of SOIS courses. These include the MLIS core courses (12 credits). The remaining 18 MLIS credits are selected from the School’s offerings in accordance with the student’s goals in the coordinated degree program.

MLIS/MA Women’s and Gender Studies
The coordinated program is designed to provide students with theoretical and practical exposure to evolving information retrieval and organization, and the field of feminist research and scholarship.

Admission Requirements

Application Deadlines
If at any time you are unsure about a published date or deadline (http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/program-deadlines), call the Registrar’s Office at (414) 229-3800 or submit a contact form (http://uwm.edu/registrar/contact-us) online.

Admission
Students are admitted to both graduate programs separately and admission requirements (http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/admission) are consistent with those specified by the UWM Graduate School, the MA in Women’s and Gender Studies program in the College of Letter & Science, and the MLIS program (http://uwm.edu/graduateschool/library-information-science) of the School of Information Studies.

Credit and Courses
Students accepted into this MA/MLIS program complete the following courses:

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<td>WGS 700</td>
<td>Feminist Issues and Scholarship</td>
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Electives
- Select 18 credits in consultation with faculty advisor

The following are recommended electives:
- INFOST 861 | Seminar in Intellectual Freedom          | 3       |
- INFOST 891 | Advanced Topics in Library and Information Science | 1-3     |

Total Credits
- WGS: 24 (maximum of 6 U/G cr; and maximum 3 cr of WGS 999)
- MLIS: 30 (min of 33 with SOIS thesis option)
- Total Credits for Coordinated Program: 54 (57 with thesis)

The credits for the coordinated program would typically be completed in both programs at the same time, rather than one program after the other. A student not completing the requirements for the coordinated degree program would need to complete all requirements for an individual program in order to receive a degree.

Important
You must refer to the catalog pages of both individual master’s programs to ensure that you meet all requirements for both degrees.

Program Requirements

Time Limit
Students in the coordinated MA/MLIS degree program must complete all degree requirements within seven years of the first enrollment semester as a degree student.