

Master of INFORMATION STUDIES (MIS)

The Master of Information Studies (MIS) is a professional graduate-level degree program that is fully accredited by the American Library Association (ALA). Combining an emphasis on practical experience and theory, this bilingual program prepares you for careers in a wide range of fields involving the organization, analysis, curation, management and brokerage of information. Our graduates work in libraries, private sector firms, public agencies, and non-profit organizations.

OPTIONS

- **Master's with courses** — sixteen three-credit courses
- **Master's with thesis** — twelve three-credit courses, directed thesis research and defence
- **Master's with cooperative education (co-op) option** — twelve three-credit courses, two 4-month paid co-op placements

LANGUAGES OF INSTRUCTION

Courses are taught in English or French, without duplication. In accordance with University of Ottawa policy, students may submit their work in either of these languages. Note: Students must complete at least 25% of their courses in their second language.

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Studies	Sessions for admission		
	Fall	Winter	Summer
Full-time	x	x	x
Part-time	x	x	x

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to this program is limited and is based on the following criteria:

- a four-year undergraduate degree in any discipline, with a minimum average of B (70%, or three on a four-point scale);
- computer literacy;
- relevant employment experience and leadership potential;
- proficiency in both French and English.

RANGE OF COURSES

Subjects include current issues in the management of information organizations; web design and social media; responsibility for human, physical and financial resources; information-systems procurement; electronic information retrieval; intellectual property in the Canadian legal context; and design, promotion and evaluation of programs and services in libraries, archives and information centres.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

48 credits

Compulsory core courses

- ISI5301 Information and Society (3 cr.)
- ISI5302 Knowledge Organization (3 cr.)
- ISI5303 Information Resource Management (3 cr.)
- ISI5304 Information Resource Discovery (3 cr.)
- ISI5305 Management Foundations for the Information Professional (3 cr.)
- ISI5306 Information Professionals as Leaders (3 cr.)
- ISI5307 Introduction to Research and Evaluation in Information Studies (3 cr.)

AND

ISI6995 Capstone Experience (3 cr.) and eight three-credit electives (24 cr.)

OR

Co-op (ISI6001 (6cr) and ISI6002 (6 cr.))

ISI6994 Capstone Experience (3 cr.) and four three-credit electives (12 cr.)

OR

Thesis (ISI6998 (6 cr.) and ISI6999 (6 cr.)) and five three-credit electives (15 cr.)

DISTINCTIVENESS OF PROGRAM

Students in North America's only bilingual MIS program enjoy the benefits of small class sizes and personal attention from our faculty. They also benefit from unparalleled proximity to major Canadian information institutions such as Library and Archives Canada, the Library of Parliament, the Canadian Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI-NRC), and the archives of national museums and galleries, alongside the libraries of several post-secondary institutions and two public library systems.



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