










MLS Program Review




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The information presented here is for comparative purposes only and represents a few of the available programs, which we reviewed. If you are interested in an MLS program, we encourage you to review the ALA website listed below for more complete information. The cost and application information presented here are accurate to the best of our knowledge at the time of printing and are subject to change. Note that all admissions GPA's refer to undergraduate work. It is also assumed that all Universities have some type of application form for graduate school.

University	Admissions Requirements	Cost	Graduation Requirements	For more information
 University of Alabama	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 yr. bachelor's degree in any major (GPA of 3.0 or higher) • An online application form • Application fee payment • Statement of purpose • Unofficial admission scores (GRE, GMAT, MAT or MCAT; if required by the department) • Unofficial transcripts • Letters of recommendation 	\$440/credit hour	36 credit hours	https://online.ua.edu/degrees/mlis-master-of-library-and-information-studies/
 Drexel University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 yr. bachelor's degree in any major (GPA of 3.0 or higher) • Official transcripts from all universities or colleges • 1 letter of recommendation (2 preferred) • Current Resume • Essay (about 500 words) • Additional documents required for int'l students 	\$1,382 per credit hour	45 credits	http://online.drexel.edu/online-degrees/information-sciences-degrees/ms-di/index.aspx

 <p>University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A bachelor's degree, or equivalent, from an approved accredited institution with an undergraduate GPA of at least 2.75 (4.0 basis) • One copy of transcripts (directly from each institution you attended) • Reasons Statement 	<p>\$800/credit</p>	<p>36 credits; 30 credits for those who already have a graduate degree</p>	<p>https://uwm.edu/informationstudies/academics/graduate/mlis/</p>
 <p>Emporia State University</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Official transcripts from all undergraduate colleges/universities (GPA under 3.0 may be considered for probationary admission) • 2 letters of reference • Current resume or CV • Statement of Purpose • ID Verification 	<p>Out of State: \$429.66 per credit hour + In state: \$286.44</p>	<p>36 credits</p>	<p>General information: https://www.emporia.edu/school-library-and-information-management/programs-certificates-licenses/master-library-science/</p>
 <p>North Carolina Central University</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 on all undergraduate work • 2 letters of recommendation • Official transcript of all post-secondary education • Statement of Purpose (700-800 words) • Resume or CV • International Applicants- may have additional requirements such as TOEFL scores, financial statement, and different application deadlines 	<p>Out of State: 1,036.07 In state: \$298.73 per credit hour</p>	<p>36 semester hours</p>	<p>https://nccuonline.nccu.edu/programs/library-science/</p>

 <p>Syracuse University</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current resume • Personal Statement • Official transcript of undergraduate degree • 2 letters of recommendation • International- TOEFL or IELTS scores required 	<p>\$1,872/ credit hour</p>	<p>36 credit hours</p>	<p>https://onlinegrad.syracuse.edu/information-science/mslis/</p>
 <p>University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's level degree (any discipline) • Personal statement • Resume • 3 letters of reference • International applicants must submit TOEFL or IELTS scores or Duolingo tests 	<p>Nonresidents \$958 per credit hour for online students</p> <p>Illinois Residents \$663 per credit hour for online students</p>	<p>40 credit hours</p>	<p>https://ischool.illinois.edu/degrees-programs/ms-library-and-information-science</p>
 <p>University of North Texas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement of purpose • Completed bachelor's degree • Overall undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0 (4.0 scale) • 2 letters of recommendation • Interview (optional) • \$75 application fee 	<p>\$570/credit hour</p>	<p>36 credit hours and field experience</p>	<p>http://catalog.unt.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=33&poid=14910&returto=3688</p>
 <p>University of Pittsburgh</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 letters of recommendations • Official transcript • Resume • Personal statement • Indication of preference for online or in-person program 	<p>In-State: \$1,067/ credit (on-campus & online)</p> <p>Out-of-State: \$1,067/credit</p>	<p>36 credit hours</p>	<p>http://www.icds.pitt.edu/degree-programs/master-of-library-and-information-science-online-mlisonline/</p>

 <p>University of Southern Mississippi</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without a previous Master's degree, applicants must submit GRE or Miller Analogies scores • 2 letters of recommendation • Statement of Purpose • Resume 	<p>Online students are exempt from out of state tuition costs</p> <p>Full-time per semester: \$5,559 Part-time per hour: \$506</p>	<p>40 credit hours</p>	<p>https://www.usm.edu/graduate-programs/library-information-science.php</p>
 <p>University of Tennessee, Knoxville</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Statement (400-700) • 3 letters of recommendation • Resume • Unofficial transcripts w/ an undergraduate GPA of 3.5 or above 	<p>In-state online tuition: \$700/credit hour</p> <p>Out-of-state online tuition: \$775/credit hour</p>	<p>36 credit hours</p>	<p>https://volsonline.utk.edu/programs-degrees/information-science-ms/</p>
 <p>University of Washington</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal and Diversity statement • Essay • Diversity Statement • Short Answer Response • 2 letters of recommendation (3 recommended) • CV or Resume • Program mode preference • Transcripts • English language proficiency test for non-native English speakers 	<p>\$889/ credit hour</p>	<p>63 quarter credits</p>	<p>https://ischool.uw.edu/programs/mlis</p>

 <p>San Jose State University</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bachelor's degree with a GPA of at least 3.0 • General understanding of computers and technology • Access to a computer and appropriate software • Transcripts 	<p>\$525/credit hour</p> <p>Total Cost for MLS degree: \$22,575</p>	<p>43 credits</p>	<p>https://ischool.sjsu.edu/master-library-and-information-science?gad_source=1&gclid=CjwKCAiAmZGrBhAnEiwAo9qHiaFVrbOyLCdYOGGgYJWRdCZrc1_H5_SjgEaNp_GxHSYk57_8WxEuhoCvPAQAvD_BwE</p>
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