

INFORMATION: RESEARCH, MS

REQUIREMENTS

MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

Mode of Instruction Definitions

Accelerated: Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

Evening/Weekend: Courses meet on the UW-Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

Face-to-Face: Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW-Madison Campus.

Hybrid: These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

Online: These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement	30 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	15 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/).

Other Grade Requirements Within the student's total program, one grade of BC or C is allowable in either a required or elective course if it is balanced by a grade of A or AB earned either prior to or concurrently with the unsatisfactory grade. Students receiving a BC or C move into probationary status. A second grade of BC or C or any grade of D or F will normally result in the student being dropped from the program. In addition, a student's graduate-program cumulative grade point average must be maintained at 3.00 or above.

Assessments and Examinations No formal examination is required.

Language Requirements None.

REQUIRED COURSES

Students in the MS Information: Research named option must complete any 30 credits from the below list of approved courses.

Code	Title	Credits
L I S 910	Smr-Research Design & Methodology for Library & Information Studies	3
L I S 925	Professional Writing and Reading (PWR) Seminar	1
L I S 931	Seminar in Information Policy, Management and Institutions	3
L I S 940	Seminar in Information Use and Users in Context	3
L I S 950	Seminar in LIS Foundations: Histories, Philosophies and Debates	3
L I S 975	Seminar in Information Organization and Access	3
L I S 603	Research and Assessment for Information Professionals	3
COM ARTS 762	Communication Research Methods	3
JOURN 658	Communication Research Methods	4
L I S/ COM ARTS 705	Introductory Analytics for Decision Making	3
STAT 371	Introductory Applied Statistics for the Life Sciences	3
SOC/C&E SOC 360	Statistics for Sociologists I	4
SOC 362	Statistics for Sociologists III	4
ED PSYCH 760	Statistical Methods Applied to Education I	3
ED PSYCH 761	Statistical Methods Applied to Education II	3
COMP SCI 319	Data Science Programming I for Research	3
SOC/C&E SOC 365	Data Management for Social Science Research	3-4
L I S 768	Digital Humanities Analytics	3
ELPA 823	Data Management for Education Policy Analysis	3
ED PSYCH 551	Quantitative Ethnography	3
STAT 303	R for Statistics I	1

STAT 304	R for Statistics II	1
STAT 305	R for Statistics III	1
L I S 639	Pedagogical Theory and Practice for Information Professionals	3
CURRIC 818	Teaching Controversial Issues	3
CURRIC 844	Culturally Relevant Pedagogy	3
L I S/CURRIC 620	Field Project in Library and Information Agencies	3
L I S 999	Independent Reading and Research	1-4