

INFORMATION, PHD

The PhD in Information at the UW–Madison Information School (iSchool) cultivates a cooperative, supportive intellectual environment through which highly qualified students pursue doctoral studies. With a breadth of faculty expertise, and a flexible curriculum, the iSchool supports computational, social science, and humanities-oriented PhD studies.

PhD students develop close working relationships with faculty members, receive strong and consistent advising, and meet regularly together as a cohort throughout their coursework. The program and its faculty provide structure through which students conduct original research and prepare results for presentation and publication in scholarly conferences and journals. iSchool faculty members work closely with PhD students on joint projects as well as supporting students' independent projects.

As part of an internationally top-ranked research university, the iSchool offers students the opportunity to engage in the rich variety of educational experiences both within the school and in the broader University of Wisconsin–Madison campus.

Admitted students receive financial support including tuition remission, a stipend, and funds for research support including travel. The program encourages students to explore both academic and industry career opportunities.

For more information, including instructions on admissions, please see the iSchool PhD program webpage. (<https://ischool.wisc.edu/programs/phd-program/>)

To see the research interests and expertise of iSchool faculty members, please refer to the iSchool Faculty Research Page (<https://ischool.wisc.edu/faculty-staff-directory/research/>).

RESIDENCE AND COMMUNITY

The iSchool PhD program is a residential program. Students must be able to attend classes in person at UW–Madison for at least three years. Most students continue to live near Madison as they research and write their dissertations. Four to five years of full-time study is typical for students to complete the degree. The school strongly prefers full-time PhD students.