MLIS Master of Library and Information Science with Emphasis in Library Media Specialist, Certification

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In the Library Media Specialist emphasis area you will develop knowledge, skills, and abilities in school librarianship, culminating in a practicum or internship experience to help strengthen your skills and develop your professional networks. Please visit the https://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/practicum/ page for the most current information.

Working with a faculty advisor, each student develops a customized program of study. Your degree will open an array of career options beyond school librarianship, including academic librarianship and public librarianship.

### Degree Requirements

#### for Students Who Already Hold a Teaching Certificate

For students who already hold Missouri teaching certificates, the program consists of 39 credit hours, including 30 credits of required courses. Each student completes a three-credit school library practicum https://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/practicum/. Elective courses are selected in consultation with faculty advisors.

- **IS_LT 7301** Introduction to Information Technology 3
- **IS_LT 7305** Foundations of Library and Information Science 3
- **IS_LT 7302** Organization of Information 3
- **IS_LT 7313** Collection and Access Management 3
- **IS_LT 7314** Reference Sources and Services 3
- **IS_LT 9404** School Library Administration 3
- **IS_LT 9406** Curriculum and the School Library 3
- **IS_LT 9417** Action Research 3
- **IS_LT 9431** Children's Library Materials 3
- **IS_LT 7380** School Library Practicum 2

#### for Students Who Do Not Hold a Teaching Certificate

For students who do not hold Missouri teaching certificates, the program consists of 58 credit hours, including 30 credit hours of library and information science content, 18 hours of professional teacher education, and 10 hours of school library practicum and internship https://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/practicum/.

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### Graduate Examination Process

In your final semester, you will develop and present a portfolio of your work to demonstrate your mastery of the https://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/#outcomes LIS Student Learning Outcomes. The portfolio contains descriptions of competencies and what they mean to you, explanations of artifacts, and reflections. You should start on your portfolio early in your coursework.

### Admissions

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Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the https://sislt.missouri.edu/lis/students/#apply minimum requirements of the Master of Library & Information Science program and the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (http://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/minimum-requirements.php). Because requirements vary, you must refer to a degree program’s graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility and application process. Your application materials will be reviewed by both the Graduate School and the degree program to which you’ve applied before official admission to the University of Missouri.