



Information Studies



Special Points of Interest

- Students have the option to take classes online or in the classroom.
- Students cover topics from Economics, Leadership, Writing, Public Speaking, Statistics, and introductory courses.
- Graduates of the Bachelor of Arts in Information Sciences have reported earnings up to \$60,000 in their first year of employment.

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Interested in Information Studies?

About the Major

The Bachelor of Arts in Information Studies program guides students through major coursework that is based in multiple disciplines within the College of Arts and Sciences. Beyond this coursework, the degree program provides internship opportunities that give students first-hand experiences in the field. Graduates of the program are prepared to think across multiple disciplines and apply multiple intellectual structures and theories to a workplace solution.

Recent Graduates have Reported Careers in:

- IT Analyst
- Database Analyst
- Software Implementation Specialist
- Network Administrator
- Consulting
- Project Management
- Communications

Field of Information Studies

The field of information Studies is rapidly growing, resulting in a huge demand for information workers. The program in the School of Library and Information Studies prepares students for careers managing the link between people and information, crucial in today's increasingly information-rich global society. Information Studies courses are drawn from several programs, including Library Studies, Communication, Economics, English, Mathematics and Psychology.

Alumni

Our graduates have a variety of careers in areas of information technology, information security, software implementation, and network administration.

Clubs and Associations

All students in SLIS are members of the Oklahoma Library and Information Studies Student Association (**OLISSA**). Other Professional Information Associations include:

- American Library Association
- Oklahoma Library Association
- Association for Library and Information Sciences Education
- Society for American Archivist
- American Indian Library Association

Oklahoma Library and Information Studies Students Association

encourages students to be active participants in a professional organization. The association's primary purpose is to represent and serve Information Studies students. The organization often holds workshops or panel discussions of interest to the student body and sponsors student attendance at major conferences.

Information Studies Curriculum

Designed to prepare a technologically skilled and broadly educated graduate, the Information Studies degree guides students through major coursework that is based in multiple disciplines within the College of Arts and Sciences. The degree also provides internship opportunities that give students first-hand experiences in the field. This degree requires a minimum of 54 semester hours, including 18 Information Studies core course hours, 21 elective hours and 15 hours of major support courses. Students must also complete the Arts and Sciences General Education requirements, for a total of 120 hours. Information Studies students learn to facilitate the transmission of information technology between those designing computer programs and networks and the specific industries this information benefits. The curriculum teaches students to explore and analyze information needs within organizational contexts and to develop appropriate and effective approaches to satisfying those needs.