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UCD School of Information and Communication Studies | **UCD iSCHOOL**



Master of Library & Information Studies (MLIS)

(One Year Full-Time or Two Years Part-Time)

The UCD School of Information and Communication Studies strives to educate students to become the leaders, policy makers, and designers of information systems and services in the evolving information society.

The Master of Library and Information Studies (MLIS) and the Graduate Diploma in Library and Information Studies (GradDip) programmes instill professional ethics and social responsibility, foster lifelong continuing professional education, and provide

opportunities for active engagement with diverse communities. Our modules are offered in face-to-face, blended, and online classrooms. Reflective practices and collaborative work constitute the core of our learning activities

The MLIS programme is structured to develop your basic and specialised knowledge and skills as librarians and information professionals. Depending on your interests and aspirations, you may choose a pathway that would best suit your career plans.

The only academic institution in Ireland with a degree in Library and Information Systems

The MLIS is a highly regarded internationally recognised qualification, and is accredited by the Library Association of Ireland and recognised by the American Library Association. The School is an active member of the iSchool Consortium - a global collection of Information Schools dedicated to advancing the information field and sharing a fundamental interest in the relationships between information, people, and technology.

Why study at UCD?

- Tradition**
 Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence
- Global profile**
 UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide
- Global community**
 Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD
- Global careers**
 Degrees with high employability; dedicated careers support; 1 year stay-back visa for Non-EU students
- Safety**
 Modern parkland campus with 24 hour security, minutes from Dublin city centre

Course Content and Structure

90 credits Taught Masters | 65 credits Taught Modules | 25 credits Dissertation or Internship

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Academic Librarianship

Academic librarians support members of academic community for research, teaching, and learning. There are different roles in academic librarianship—from resources discovery/metadata, digitisation, data management and scholarly communication, to outreach and liaison.

- IS40480** Information Professionals as Teacher & Collaborator
- IS40760** Research Data Management
- IS30050** Information Architecture: Designing the Web

Information Services / Public Librarianship

The challenges of public librarianship and information services in today's fast moving society requires librarians and information professionals with diverse skills including organisation and dissemination of information, community programming, storytelling, and technology assistance.

- IS40570** Children and Youth Information Services
- IS30380** Digital Storytelling
- IS30370** Information Ethics
- IS30020** Web Publishing

Cultural Institutions / Special Collections

With the increasing number of digitized and born-digital materials, information professionals working in cultural institutions and managing special collections need to acquire practical skills in the areas of digital curation and cognate fields

- IS40770** Digital Curation Core Concepts
- IS40790** Digital Curation Tools
- ARCV40070** Managing Records and Information in Public & Private Organisations



Career Opportunities

The programme is designed to prepare university graduates for professional careers in library and information. The MLIS is a highly regarded internationally recognised qualification, and is recognised by the Library Association of Ireland and the American Library Association.



The degree qualifies students to work as library and information professionals in the United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and throughout Europe. Recent graduates have dynamic careers as Chief Information Officers, Library Directors and Knowledge Managers.

Graduate Profile

Kirsteen Walters Masters Library & Information Studies (MLIS)

I chose this particular programme as it is an internationally recognised qualification and because of my interest in the library/information sector. I thoroughly enjoyed the course, although intensive, it is equally rewarding. The course had such an array of modular choices that it really afforded me the opportunity to specialise in my specific areas of interest i.e. information literacy and knowledge management. The capstone project further developed my practical skills in this area and enabled me to work on a real-life project for UCD Library. Since graduating, I have used the skills and experience gained through the MLIS in my current role as a Knowledge Management Administrator and in my previous role in an academic library.

Entry Requirements

- Applicants should present with a primary (bachelor's) degree in any subject with an overall score of 2.1 or higher.
- A minimum of 6 weeks' experience working in a library or information environment.
- Names and contact details of two referees who can assess their intellectual ability, maturity and motivation.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

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