

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**  
**Application and Instructions for the ALA Accredited Master's Degree in**  
**Library and Information Studies**

The application process consists of two parts: 1) the materials for the School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS) and 2) the online application for the UW Graduate School. Please use the SLIS application essay questions in lieu of the "Reasons for Graduate Study" statement in the Graduate School application. Please refer to the SLIS website (<http://www.slis.wisc.edu>) and the UW-Madison Graduate School website (<http://www.wisc.edu/grad>)

**General Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

If you have applied to other LIS schools, please list (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you hold a teaching certificate? \_\_\_\_\_ From what state? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you taken any courses in library and information studies? If so, please list.

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(Additional information such as a course description and syllabus may be required at a later date.)

**Your Profile - Please attach a printed document addressing the following questions:**

**Employment History**

List any full-time, or what you consider significant part-time, employment in which you have been engaged, and which you consider relevant to your decision to pursue library and information service as a career. Include where, for how long, and in what capacity. (You may use a resume or curriculum vitae.)

**Experience**

Describe any experience such as private study, travel, or special skills (teaching, computer applications, language fluency) which may have relevance to your interest in library and information work.

### **Career Goals**

Write a concise statement (no more than one page) of your reasons for pursuing the Master's degree in the field of library and information studies. Include any future career and/or further study goals.

### **Self-Assessment**

Describe concisely any employment, student or life experiences that demonstrate independent thinking, self-motivation, and flexibility.

### **Application checklist: Send all of the following to SLIS**

1. SLIS application (this form and supporting documents.)
2. Two sets of transcripts (one may be a photocopy of the official transcript) that include your undergraduate coursework and any other relevant coursework.
3. Three references, which can be sent using the graduate school application
4. Computer Competency Evaluation form.
5. SLIS Scholarship consideration form if desired.
6. TOEFL- If your native language is not English or your undergraduate coursework was not in English, provide your TOEFL scores.
7. (Optional) Self-addressed stamped postcard which will be returned to you when we have received all elements of your application. If you do not receive this postcard back as soon as you'd like, we ask that you refrain from calling us until March 15.

**Remember: You must also submit the online UW-Madison Graduate School application.**

<https://www.gradsch.wisc.edu/eapp/eapp.pl>

Students must start their program in the Fall semester. The recommended application deadline is December 16th, especially for those seeking financial aid. Applications are accepted beyond the December deadline. If applications are received by December 16, offers of admission will be sent on or before **April 15, 2008**.

NOTE: forms that must be printed are available from the SLIS web site:

<http://www.slis.wisc.edu/admissions/application/index.html>

Please send printed application materials to:

School of Library and Information Studies  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
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600 N. Park Street  
Madison, WI 53706