LIS PROGRAM PLANNING STATEMENT

To fulfill the requirements of the Master’s degree program in Library and Information Science, you will need to successfully complete 12 courses (36 credits), which include both required and elective courses that will be determined by you and your faculty advisor. (See reverse side for planning grid)

Once completed, your LIS Program Planning Statement becomes a documented record of this discussion and must be signed and dated by both you and your faculty advisor. You will submit your signed LIS Program Planning Statement to the Student Services Center, located on the 2nd floor of the Palace Road building, Suite P212. Students can also electronically submit the form via email to SSCslis@simmons.edu.

It is strongly recommended that you keep a copy of your LIS Program Planning Statement to use when registering for courses and that you provide your advisor with a copy as well.

The LIS Program Planning Statement is not set in stone. As you take classes, your goals and choices of courses may change. You are not required to re-submit a new form if other course choices are made. However, if you join or drop a specialized program (for example, changing from “General” to the “Archives Management concentration”) you should meet with your advisor to create a new planning statement and fill out a CHANGE OF PROGRAM form that, when completed, should be turned in to the Student Services Center, Suite P212 or emailed to SSCslis@simmons.edu.

Upon completion of the Master of Science program at the School of Library and Information Science students will be able to:

1. Apply professional standards, tools, and best practices in the information field and across specialized areas.
2. Communicate effectively to different audiences through use of oral, written, and visual formats across multiple media.
3. Develop appropriate technology strategies across a range of information settings.
4. Critically analyze and apply research.
5. Evaluate and create information services and/or systems to reflect and respond to the needs of diverse communities and stakeholders.
6. Demonstrate individual and collaborative leadership ability.
7. Be guided by professional ethics and values.

Student signature_______________________________________  Date ____________________

Advisor signature_______________________________________   Date_____________________

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| FALL 20___ |  |
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**REMINDERS:**

- The following core courses are required for all M.S. students:
  - LIS 407 (Information Sources and Services)
  - LIS 415 (Information Organization)
  - LIS 488 (Technology for Information Professionals), or other approved technology course
- LIS 415 or LIS 407 should be among the first 12 credits (4 courses) taken by all students in the M.S. degree program.
- Students following the curricula associated with the LIS program concentrations (Archives Management, Cultural Heritage Informatics, Information Science and Technology, and School Library Teacher) must complete the M.S. core course requirements as well as any specific course requirements associated with the concentration curriculum. Please consult with an advisor to ensure that these program and concentration requirements are met.