

SLIS Course Rotation

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Introduction

This document provides information about the course rotation for the School of Library and Information Science at Simmons University. This document does not constitute a guarantee of course offerings but demonstrates how we work to plan our course offerings. It is arranged according to the way our curriculum is structured. The core courses are listed first and then each concentration's required and elective option courses are listed. The concentrations are followed by a list of courses that are not part of a concentration but are still available in our curriculum. Doctoral courses are also included. Following the rotation information reflecting our concentration structures, there is a single list by course number as an index.

Frequency conventions

- "Every semester" refers to **Fall and Spring semesters**
- The designation "once a year" means that a single section will be available; the designation "twice a year" means that two sections will be available. That does not necessarily mean multiple semesters.

Modality conventions

- The modality column refers to modality offerings. They are not tied to specific semesters because that is dependent on instructor availability and preferences.
- The "OL" designation covers online synchronous and online asynchronous modalities. Whether a course is synchronous or asynchronous is dependent on instructor availability and preference.
- Practicum courses have an X modality identification to indicate that they are practica. Practica have a site placement and an online academic component.

The SLIS summer schedule is established each year based on instructor availability and preferences and therefore is not included in this course rotation with the exception of the two courses we offer that are currently only offered in the Summer (LIS 447 Collection maintenance and LIS 452 History of Libraries).

The SLIS West campus offers a limited catalog of courses and their rotation is based on instructor availability. The catalog is listed below.

Core Courses

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
407	Information Sources and Services	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
415	Information Organization	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
488	Technology for Information Professionals	Every semester	Boston, OL, West

Archives Management concentration requirements

[Concentration webpage](#)

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
438	Introduction to Archival Theory and Practice	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
440	Archival Access and Use	Every semester	Boston, OL
442	Establishing and Managing Archives and Manuscript Programs	Every semester	Boston, OL
Preservation course (choose one)			
439	Preservation Management	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
444	Digital Preservation	Every semester	Boston, OL
448	Digital Stewardship	Every semester	Boston, OL

Archives elective (choose one)			
433	Oral History	Once a year	Boston, OL
441	Archival Appraisal	Twice a year	Boston, OL
443	Archives, History and Collective Memory	Once a year	Boston, OL
456	Records Management	Twice a year	OL
471	Photographic Archives and Visual Information	Twice a year	OL
472	Moving Image Archives	Once a year	Boston
476	Outreach and Advocacy for Archives and Cultural Heritage	Twice a year	Boston, OL
506	Government Archives	Every other year	Boston, OL

Cultural Heritage Informatics concentration requirements

[Concentration webpage](#)

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
432	Concepts in Cultural Heritage Informatics	Every semester	Boston, OL
438	Introduction to Archival Theory and Practice	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
477	Digital Asset Management for Libraries, Archives and Museums	Twice a year	OL
Preservation courses (choose one)			
439	Preservation Management	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
444	Digital Preservation	Every semester	Boston, OL
448	Digital Stewardship	Every semester	Boston, OL

Information Science & Technology concentration requirements

[Concentration webpage](#)

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
458	Database Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
484	Theories of Information Science	Once a year	OL
485	Introduction to Programming	Every semester	OL
Choose two IS&T electives:			
421	Social Informatics	Twice a year	Boston, OL
455	Usability and User Experience Research	Once a year	Boston, OL
462	Digital Libraries	Occasionally	Boston, OL
465	Knowledge Management	Once a year	OL
467	Web Development and Information Architecture	Every semester	OL
486	Systems Analysis in Information Services	Once a year	OL
487	Data Interoperability	Once a year	OL

Libraries & Librarianship concentration requirements

[Concentration webpage](#)

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
404	Principles of Management	Every semester	Boston, OL, West
408	User Instruction and Information Literacy	Every semester	Boston, OL
453	Collection Development and Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
Settings and context course:			

414	Special Libraries	Once a year	Boston, OL
450	Public Libraries	Every semester	Boston, OL
451	Academic Libraries	Every semester	Boston, OL

School Library Teacher concentration requirements

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Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
406	Management and Evaluation of School Library Programs	Every semester	OL
459	Fundamentals of School Librarianship	Every semester	OL
460	Technology and the School Library Teacher	Twice a year	OL
461	Curriculum and Instructional Strategies for the School Library Teacher	Every semester	OL
481	Library Collections and Materials for Children	Every semester	Boston, OL
483	Library Collections and Materials for Young Adults	Every semester	Boston, OL
495	Practicum Equivalent Experience (preK-12)	Every semester	X
498	Practicum (preK-8)	Every semester	X
499	Practicum (7-12)	Every semester	X

Self-Directed concentration requirements

The Self-Directed concentration does not have additional requirements beyond the three core courses. Students may select nine electives from the entire SLIS curriculum.

Electives

Course #	Course title	Frequency	Modality
403	Evaluation of Information Services	Once a year	OL
410	Information Services for Diverse Users	Once a year	Boston, OL
412	Library Programs and Services for Young Adults	Once a year	Boston, OL
416	Descriptive Cataloging	Once a year	OL
417	Subject Cataloging and Classification	Once a year	OL
420	Book Publishing and Librarianship	Once a year	Boston
422	Literacy and Services to Underserved Populations: Issues and Responses	Occasionally	Boston
423	Storytelling	Once a year	Boston
425	History of the Book	Every semester	OL
430	Business Information Sources and Services	Occasionally	Boston, OL
431	Museum Studies	Every semester	Boston
435	Music Librarianship	Once every two years	Boston, OL
437	Legal Information Sources	Once every two years	Boston, OL
445	Metadata	Every semester	Boston, OL
446	Art Documentation	Once a year	Boston, OL
447	Collection Maintenance	Once a year (summers only)	Boston

449	Rare Book and Special Collections Librarianship	Twice a year	Boston, OL
452	History of Libraries	Once every two years (summers only)	OL
455	Usability and User Experience Research	Once a year	Boston, OL
462	Digital Libraries	Occasionally	
464	The Medieval Manuscript from Charlemagne to Gutenberg	Once a year	Boston
465	Knowledge Management	Once a year	OL
475	Organizational/Information Ethics	Once a year (summers only)	OL
482	Library Programs and Services for Children	Once a year	Boston, OL
490	International and Comparative Librarianship	Once a year	Boston, OL
491	Reader's Advisory & Popular Culture Trends	Every semester	OL
493	Intellectual Freedom and Censorship	Once a year	Boston, OL
505	Special Topics course Topics offered in the past: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Archives • Intersectionality, Technology and the Information Professions • Decentering Whiteness in Library & Information Science • Crisis Management and Rapid Response in Libraries • Information policy course 	Occasionally	

512	Advanced Field Experience in LIS	Every semester	X
532I	Sites of History	Once a year	Boston

SLIS West Mini Course Catalog

Course #	Course title	Offered	Concentration
404	Principles of Management	Once a year	LIB
407	Information Sources and Services	Once a year	CORE
408	User Instruction and Information Literacy	Once a year	LIB
410	Information Services for Diverse Users	Occasionally	
415	Information Organization	Once a year	CORE
432	Concepts in Cultural Heritage Informatics	Occasionally	CHI
438	Introduction to Archival Theory and Practice	Once a year	ARCV, CHI
439	Preservation Management in Libraries and Archives	Once a year (Interession Spring)	ARCV, CHI
448	Digital Stewardship	Occasionally	ARCV, CHI
450	Public Libraries	Once a year	LIB
451	Academic Libraries	Once a year	LIB
458	Database Management	Occasionally	IS&T
467	Web Development and Information Architecture	Occasionally	IS&T
481	Library Collections and Materials for Children	Once a year	MSMA-CHL
483	Library Collections and Materials for Young Adults	Once a year	MSMA-CHL

488	Technology for Information Professionals	Once a year	CORE
	Special Course Offering	Occasionally	

Doctoral Courses (All Online)

LIS 605	Occasionally
LIS 620	Fall
LIS 621	Spring
LIS 642	Fall

All courses

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Course #	Course title	Semester	Modality
403	Evaluation of Information Services	Once a year	OL
404	Principles of Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
406	Management and Evaluation of School Library Programs	Every semester	OL
407	Information Sources and Services	Every semester	Boston, OL
408	User Instruction and Information Literacy	Every semester	Boston, OL
410	Information Services for Diverse Users	Once a year	Boston, OL
412	Library Programs and Services for Young Adults	Once a year	Boston, OL
414	Special Libraries	Once a year	Boston, OL
415	Information Organization	Every semester	Boston, OL

416	Descriptive Cataloging	Once a year	OL
417	Subject Cataloging and Classification	Once a year	OL
420	Book Publishing and Librarianship	Once a year	Boston
421	Social Informatics	Twice a year	Boston, OL
422	Literacy and Services to Underserved Populations: Issues and Responses	Occasionally	Boston
423	Storytelling	Once a year	Boston
425	History of the Book	Every semester	OL
430	Business Information Sources and Services	Occasionally	Boston, OL
432	Concepts in Cultural Heritage Informatics	Every semester	Boston, OL
433	Oral History	Once a year	Boston, OL
435	Music Librarianship	Once every two years	Boston, OL
437	Legal Information Sources	Once every two years	Boston, OL
438	Introduction to Archival Theory and Practice	Every semester	Boston, OL
439	Preservation Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
440	Archival Access and Use	Every semester	Boston, OL
441	Archival Appraisal	Twice a year	Boston, OL
442	Establishing and Managing Archives and Manuscript Programs	Every semester	Boston, OL
443	Archives, History and Collective Memory	Once a year	Boston, OL
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453	Collection Development and Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
455	Usability and User Experience Research	Once a year	Boston, OL
456	Records Management	Twice a year	OL
458	Database Management	Every semester	Boston, OL
459	Fundamentals of School Librarianship	Every semester	OL
460	Technology and the School Library Teacher	Twice a year	OL
461	Curriculum and Instructional Strategies for the School Library Teacher	Every semester	OL
462	Digital Libraries	Occasionally	Boston, OL
464	The Medieval Manuscript from Charlemagne to Gutenberg	Once a year	Boston
465	Knowledge Management	Once a year	OL
467	Web Development and Information Architecture	Every semester	OL
471	Photographic Archives and Visual Information	Twice a year	OL
472	Moving Image Archives	Once a year	Boston
473	Information Visualization	Once a year	Boston, OL
475	Organizational/Information Ethics	Once a year	OL
476	Outreach and Advocacy for Archives and Cultural Heritage	Twice a year	Boston, OL
477	Digital Asset Management for Libraries, Archives and Museums	Twice a year	OL

478	Government Archives	Once every two years	OL
481	Library Collections and Materials for Children	Every semester	Boston, OL
482	Library Programs and Services for Children	Once a year	Boston, OL
483	Library Collections and Materials for Young Adults	Every semester	Boston, OL
484	Theories of Information Science	Once a year	OL
485	Introduction to Programming	Every semester	OL
486	Systems Analysis in Information Services	Once a year	OL
487	Data Interoperability	Once a year	OL
488	Technology for Information Professionals	Every semester	Boston, OL
490	International and Comparative Librarianship	Once a year	Boston, OL
491	Reader's Advisory & Popular Culture Trends	Twice a year	OL
493	Intellectual Freedom and Censorship	Once a year	Boston, OL
495	Practicum Equivalent Experience (preK-12)	Every semester	X
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512	Advanced Field Experience in LIS	Every semester	X
532I	Site of History	Once a year	Boston