“The graduate Information Science program at UNT prepared me immensely for my career in information security. As a student, I learned not only about security fundamentals but also practical applications of information science, cybersecurity, and data science in a professional environment. By being a part of the Information Science program, I was able to network and build relationships with other tech professionals and also gained unique academic opportunities such as presenting my student research at the annual Women in Cybersecurity (WiCyS) Conference. The knowledge gained and the relationships formed as a result of being in the Information Science program make it a great personal and professional investment.”

LOLA OBAMEHINTI (MSIS ’17)
Founder, Nigerian Techie
The ALA-accredited Master of Science program with majors in Information Science (MS-IS) or Library Science (MS-LS) provides the theoretical and real-world application to successfully launch you into the information profession. The degree prepares students for work in a variety of roles and information settings, including various information agencies, corporations, and all types of libraries.

PROGRAM DELIVERY

The Master’s program is offered completely online. Some courses also offer a face-to-face option in Denton, TX. The program is also offered in an off-campus format in Houston, TX.

The Online and Distance learning program is also offered in the form of cohorts located in some states. This cohort-based approach provides an opportunity for students and faculty to build a vibrant learning community. For more information about our cohorts, visit: http://informationscience.unt.edu/cohorts-and-program

WHY OUR PROGRAM

- Accredited by the American Library Association.
- Mentorship program for students that provides networking opportunities and enhance knowledge.
- Dedicated career coach to help students prepare for the job market.
- Member of the iSchools organization.
- Diverse course offerings with flexibility to choose from several career paths.
- Reputable faculty with expertise in various areas.
- Cohorts located nationwide help to form a diverse and wide-reaching alumni connection.
- Scholarship opportunities to recognize academic and creative accomplishments.

“From the moment I began UNT’s program in library and information science, I knew I was working with a faculty committed to student success. Faculty members were not only talented and effective classroom teachers but also some of the most dedicated mentors I have ever encountered. Those mentors provided immediate opportunities for me in the field of law librarianship, and the program fully prepared me for a long and rewarding career in academia and legal education.”

Matt Cordon (MSLS ‘01)
Director of Legal Writing and Professor of Law
Baylor University
The diverse world of the information profession creates unique and distinct career opportunities that you can pursue. With faculty that keep informed of changes within the information field, we are constantly creating and reinventing areas of study to prepare you for the profession and information setting you choose. Students are able to choose from the following concentrations within the Library Science or Information Science majors:

**LIBRARY SCIENCE**

**Law Librarianship and Legal Informatics**
Prepares students for careers in law libraries, information publishers, and information organizations using legal information resources. Enables law librarians to play key roles in the management of legal information in diverse settings.

**Music Librarianship**
Prepares students for a career as a music librarian or information professional in a music-related or performing arts environment. Students will be equipped to assume positions in organizations such as academic and public libraries, radio and TV stations, music publishers, orchestras, opera companies, music archives & conservatories.

**Youth Librarianship**
Prepares students for a career in various library settings including metropolitan, suburban, rural, public and academic libraries, where they can provide library services to people who teach and work with youth and youth-related information services.

The following concentrations/program of study apply to both majors:

**Archival Studies**
Provides students with the skills needed for production, archival and preservation of records, appraisal and acquisitions. Prepares students to work with imaging for archives, museums and libraries.

**Information Organization**
Equips students with the necessary skills to organize information for a wide variety of information formats, resources, systems and environments. Graduates may be responsible for library cataloging, classification, metadata development and use.

**Knowledge Management**
Equips students with the skills and knowledge needed to manage organizational knowledge, intellectual capital and knowledge assets within private and public sectors.

**General Program of Study**
Prepares students to succeed in a wide range of positions in both private and public organizations. Also provides leadership and demonstrates theoretical knowledge of library and information science and their applications in different fields.

**INFORMATION SCIENCE**

**Health Librarianship/Health Informatics**
Prepares students to work with health and medical applications, electronic medical records, clinical research data, health education, e-science, and legal and ethical issues concerning health information.

**Information Systems**
Provides students with the basic skills and competencies that will enable them to support an organization to gain strategic and tactical competitive advantage. Also prepares students for positions that require technical knowledge and skills.

**CAREER PATHS**
- Digital Librarian
- Knowledge Manager
- Systems Analyst
- Archivist or Records Manager
- Health Information Specialist
- Chief Information Officer
- Special Librarian (Law, Medical, Art, Music, etc.)
- Web Content Strategist
- Research Analyst
- Media Specialist
- Database Developer
- Data Analyst
- Rare Books Curator
- Taxonomist
- Youth Librarian
- Imaging Specialist
- Instructional Services Librarian
Admission Requirements

- An undergraduate degree or higher from an accredited institution.
- A 3.0 cumulative undergraduate GPA, a 3.0 on the last 60 hours of undergraduate coursework, or a 3.5 GPA on a completed Master’s degree.

How to Apply

The application process consists of two steps:

1. Apply to the UNT Toulouse Graduate School:
   a. Complete the online application and pay the application fee.
   b. Submit transcripts from all colleges attended.

   * International applicants may have additional requirements and must demonstrate English Language Proficiency.

2. Apply to the Information Science Department and submit the following:
   a. An online program application
   b. Statement of purpose
   c. Two letters of recommendation
   d. A current resume

Both UNT and the Information Science Department offer multiple financial options, including scholarships to help you pursue your graduate degree.

Degree Requirements

- 36 credit hours of coursework (12 courses).
- Field experience in a professional position, or a minimum of 120 hours of practicum experience in an information-centered environment.
- A capstone experience — professional ePortfolio.

About UNT

The University of North Texas, established in 1890, is one of the largest student-focused public Tier One research universities, dedicated to providing superior graduate education, scholarship and artistic endeavors. As a catalyst for creativity, UNT fuels progress, innovation and entrepreneurship. Our programs are internationally recognized with research and scholarship spanning all disciplines. We offer 113 bachelor’s, 94 master’s and 37 doctoral degrees. UNT is located in Denton, a city about 30 miles north of Dallas and Fort Worth.