

COHORT for the VIRGINIAS



"I'm really grateful for the opportunities I've had to work with the rest of the cohort at the institutes since through them we were able to meet socially and get to know each other right from the start, which has led to some valuable friendships—both local and across the state."

> Megan Hodge, Assistant Branch Manager, Chesterfield County Public Library System

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Department of Library and Information Sciences

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS



"The program is well organized, challenging, and personalized. The professors and cohort directors are unfailingly gracious. They make every effort to be accessible, and their professionalism, knowledge, and expertise ensures that students have every opportunity to be successful."

> Paulette Jayabalan Roanoke, Virginia

Earn your Master's in Library and Information Sciences from the University of North Texas by participating in two web institutes at James Madison University, with the remainder of the program online.

The University of North Texas College of Information-Department of Library and Information Sciences will bring its ALA accredited Masters program and popular online format to the Virginias in partnership with the Library and Outreach Programs at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Institutes will be held at the James Madison University East Campus Library on August 17-20, 2012 and January 4-6, 2013

The web institute portion of the Master's program includes an orientation, technology training, instruction in the core courses, as well as time to socialize with your colleagues and faculty.

UNT's Department of Library and Information Sciences will limit admission to a cohort of no more than forty students in the fall 2012 who will begin to study together for the Master's. Using a variety of communication tools, faculty and students will expand the learning community established during the on-site institutes to enable a high level of communication and support during the online portion of the program.

Facts about LIS Web Institutes

- Approximate cost of program is \$490 per semester credit hour
- Students have the opportunity for on site advising and program planning
- Special events held throughout Virginia provide enrichment to the learning experience

"I was amazed at the smooth transition from a live classroom to a virtual one!"

> Lori Mears Reference Services Assistant University of Richmond Law Library **Richmond**, Virginia



Programs of Study

Programs of study serve as advising guides for students. Each student works with a faculty adviser to create an individualized program reflecting the student's career goals. Programs of study available to this cohort:

- General Program of Study ٠
 - Digital Knowledge Management •
- Information Organization
- Youth Librarianship

- Health Informatics
- Information Systems
- Law Librarian & Legal Informatics •

Distributed Learning Librarian

Schedule of Courses

Fall 2012

SLIS 5000 Introduction to Information Professions

SLIS 5600 Introduction to Information Access and Retrieval

Spring 2013

SLIS 5200 Introduction to Information Organization

SLIS 5300 Management of Information Agencies

Summer 2013

SLIS 5711 Internet Applications for Information Professionals

SLIS 5080 Research Methods and Analysis

Fall 2013 through Summer 2014

18 hours of electives delivered via the web by UNT and from approved local programs (up to nine semester hours) to total 36 semester credit hours. For a complete list of online electives, visit the UNT course catalog:

http://www.unt.edu/catalog/grad/slisc.htm



"Working with the cohort has given me a true sense of camaraderie and understanding of the many different facets that the field of Library Science derives."

> **Brack Stovall** Library Technology Coordinator Radford Public Library Radford, Virginia

Accreditation

The Master's degree in Library and Information Sciences from the University of North Texas is fully accredited by the American Library Association.

How to Apply to the Virginia Cohort

Students must first apply to the UNT Toulouse School of Graduate Studies. Once accepted, a student must then submit an application to the Department of Library and Information Sciences. For a complete application checklist, visit www.coi.unt.edu/lischeck.

For more program information visit www.lis.unt.edu/distance, contact Dr. Phil Turner, pturner@unt.edu, or the College of Information Advising Office at ci-advising@unt.edu.