MASTER OF LIBRARY SCIENCE

Web Site: https://twu.edu/slis/programs-admission-requirements/master-of-library-science-degree-mls/

The Master of Library Science program prepares professionals for careers as librarians and information specialists. The program provides students with the fundamental knowledge and skills needed to be competent professionals in libraries and other information environments. Students develop an individualized plan of study that includes advanced instruction in a specialized subject area and a practicum experience aligned with their interests and career goals. The Master of Library Science program is available entirely online.

Accreditation

The Master of Library Science degree program at Texas Woman's University is accredited by the American Library Association Committee on Accreditation, with the status of Continued accreditation. The next comprehensive review visit is scheduled for 2032.

Marketable Skills

Marketable skills prepare students for success in a variety of professional settings. Developed through academic coursework, co-curricular engagement, and extracurricular involvement, these skills include communication, critical thinking, teamwork, ethical reasoning, adaptability, and digital literacy. Whether directly related to a student's major or serving as complementary strengths, marketable skills enhance career readiness and reflect TWU's commitment to producing graduates who are prepared to thrive in today's dynamic workforce.

1. Deliver innovative, high-quality services responsive to the needs of diverse communities
2. Utilize technologies to meet changing information needs.
3. Develop, organize, and manage library collections.
4. Help people find, evaluate, and use information.
5. Assess library collections, programs, and services.

Admissions

All students must meet the University requirements as outlined in the Admission to the TWU Graduate School (https://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/graduate-school/admission-graduate-school/) section of the catalog.

The academic program may have additional admission criteria that must also be completed as outlined on the program's website.

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours Required

36 semester credit hours (SCH).

Code	Title	SCHs
Required Courses		
LS 5083	Foundations of Library and Information Studies	3
LS 5053	Information Retrieval	3
LS 5043	Information and Communication Technology	3
LS 5023	Information Organization	3
LS 5003	Collection Development and Management	3
LS 5263	Information Sources and Services	3
LS 5383	Library Management	3
LS 5843	Practicum	3
Library Science Electives (approved by advisor)		**12**
Total SCHs		**36**

Special Requirements

A cumulative B average must be maintained. Any course with a grade of C cannot be applied toward the student's degree. Students are allowed to repeat a course once to improve a grade. No graduate library science course may be taken more than twice.