

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION



Northern Illinois
University

ONLINE

The MEd in Instructional Technology program with a K-12 Library Information Specialist concentration provides the necessary standard-based work for LIS Entitlement. Knowledge and performance standards required by the State of Illinois are met through completion of the required course and the internship practicum experiences.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Illinois professional educators, holding K-12 licensure interested in earning a Library Information Specialist entitlement.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

A baccalaureate degree (or higher), application and application fee, letters of recommendation, official test scores (GRE or MAT), statement of purpose and official transcripts from all institutions attended. International students must also submit TOEFL or IELTS scores. Apply online via: www.niu.edu/grad/admissions/index.shtml.

COST: www.niu.edu/bursar/tuitionestimator.shtm

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

Once admitted, students enroll and manage their student account through the MyNIU system. Courses use the Learning Management System: Blackboard.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Semester calendar with starts in August, January and June.

DELIVERY MODE:

Entirely online for LIS courses. Some MEd-IT general courses have an in-person option.

LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

Online. There's potential for 1-2 in-person meetings as a cohort model, if requested by University Center students and enrollments warrant.

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Online, through NIU Bookstore or other vendor (rental is acceptable). Most of the course materials and resources are provided online.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Per faculty review of transfer credit request, up to 9 credit hours from out of department/institution may be applied to this MEd IT program. No more than 15 hours of Student-at-Large credits per the NIU Graduate School policy.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

36 credit hours to complete degree.

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

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SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Accredited by the American School Library Association (one of the few programs so accredited in the State of Illinois). This degree in Instructional Technology prepares students to succeed using current technologies, media, and a complete understanding of the facilities and administration required to lead school libraries. With the online format, students can easily complete the entitlement; then NIU recommends to the ISBE that a student be awarded the LIS credential to their Illinois Professional Educator License.

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REQUIRED COURSES:

LIS Core (18 hours)
ETT 504 Cataloging and Classification (3)
ETT 508 Reference Theory and Practice (3)
ETT 523 Media for Young Adults (3)
ETT 527 Library Materials for Children (3)
ETT 533 School Library Media Centers (3)
ETT 542 Information Access and Social (3)
Responsibilities for Library Information Specialists (3)

Technology Core (6 hours)
(required for both endorsement and MEd-IT)
ETT 510 Instructional Media and Technology (3)
ETT 530 Instructional Technology Tools (3)

Master of Science in Education, IT Core (9 hours)
ETT 511 Adv Instrl Media Design OR
ETT 531 Visual Literacy (3)
ETT 586 Internship OR
ETT 569 Practicum, in any combination totaling (6)

Research Requirement (3 hours)
ETR 520 Intro to Educational Research OR
ETR 519 Applied Educational Research OR
ETR 531 Program Evaluation (3)

Comprehensive Examination in the form of an electronic portfolio

Library Information Specialist Entitlement Students must also complete the following:
Library Information Specialist test# 220