

Master of Science: Information Management-Fast Track 2020-2021 Advising Check Sheet

The 42-credit Fast Track is an accelerated degree program for the MS in Information Management (MSIM) and allows students to complete as many as nine (9) graduate credits by the time their undergraduate degree is conferred. Fast Track also gives students the option to enter the workforce after graduation and complete the remainder of the program online and/or part-time.

Eligibility, Application Deadlines, and Fast-Track Timeline

Syracuse University undergraduate students in junior standing (between 54-83 total cumulative credits) are eligible for Fast Track, in addition to students at our partner schools. All students are encouraged to apply by February 1 or earlier; however, the deadline to indicate interest and apply is May 1 of their junior year. Admission to the graduate program will be conditional based on completion of the undergraduate program.

Primary Core: 9 credits

Class #	Course Title	When to Enroll	Completed
IST 614	Management Principles for Information Professionals*	FA/SP- Sr. Year	
IST 618	Information Policy*	FA/SP- Sr. Year	
IST 621	Information Management and Technology*	FA/SP- Jr. Year	

Secondary Core: 12 Credits

Students need to choose two courses, or six credits, from each track in the secondary core.

Management Strategies and Users Track: 6 credits

Class #	Course Title	Completed
IST 617	Motivational Aspects of Information Use	
IST 619	Applied Economics for Information Managers	
IST 625	Enterprise Risk Management*	
IST 645	Managing Information Systems Projects*	
IST 649	Human Interaction with Computers	
IST 654	Information Systems Analysis*	
IST 662	Instructional Strategies and Techniques for Information Professionals*	
IST 726	Enterprise Architecture: Concepts and Practice	

Technological Infrastructure Track: 6 credits

Class #	Course Title	Completed
IST 615	Cloud Management*	
IST 623	Introduction to Information Security*	
IST 639	Enterprise Technologies	
IST 651	Scripting for Enterprise Data Systems	
IST 659	Data Administration Concepts and Database Management*	
IST 687	Introduction to Data Science*	

**classes are also available as online classes in the quarter terms calendar, offered in partnership with 2SU. There are restrictions on these courses for specific groups of students so please reach out to your advisor for more information.*

Electives: 12-18 Credits

All graduate-level iSchool IST courses are acceptable electives towards the MSIM program. Every semester, the iSchool offers “Selected Topics” courses, listed as IST 600 or IST 700, which can count towards the program. These courses are offered based on sufficient interest of a topic and not covered by standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. In addition, *students can take up to six elective credits* from other schools at Syracuse University, such as the Whitman School of Management and the College of Engineering and Computer Science. No more than six credits of non-IST classes will count towards the program.

Graduate Seminar: Non- Credit, Required

The Graduate Seminar is a residential workshop that presents emerging topics in the information studies field, designed to bring together students from all graduate programs in the school. Three seminars are delivered each year. Students in the MSIM program must complete one seminar during the duration of their program of studies. For information on dates and topics, visit ischool.syr.edu/seminar.

Exit Requirement: 3 to 9 credits

IST 755, the MS-IM Capstone course, must be taken after the completion of IST 614 and at least 24 credits in the degree program. For IST 971, *students with little or no appropriate experience* as information professionals must register for at least 2 credits and no more than 6 credits of internship credits.

Class #	Course Title	Completed
IST 755	Strategic Management of Information Resources*	
IST 971	Internship (1 to 6 credits)	

Guidelines for Credit Substitutions

Students who have one to three years of full-time work experience in the information technology field, may **substitute** the internship requirement for another 3-credit course via a formal petition form. A current resume is required, and joining-leaving letters may also be requested and audited.

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