

**Master of Science: Information Management-Fast Track  
For SU IM&T Students Only  
2020-2021 Advising Check Sheet**

The 36-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. *This advising check sheet is for SU IM&T students only. Other fast-track students should consult with their advisor.*

**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. You are encouraged to apply by **February 1** or earlier; however, the deadline to indicate interest *and* apply is **May 1** of your junior year. Admission to the graduate program will be conditional based on completion of the undergraduate program.

**Primary Core: 6 credits**

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

**DISCLAIMER:** Undergraduate coursework for specific graduate equivalent classes must be at a B or better in order to not take the graduate equivalent class. While the equivalent undergrad course with a grade of B or better will fulfill the track requirement, a different graduate-level elective within the field must replace that substituted course/credit.

**Electives: 21-27 credits**

All iSchool courses are acceptable electives towards the MSIM program, including “Selected Topics” courses, listed as IST 500, 600, or 700. 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. Students are *also allowed to take up to six elective credits from other schools* at Syracuse University, such as the Whitman School of Management or 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 iSchool students from all graduate programs. Three seminars are delivered each year. Students in the MSIM program must complete one seminar during the duration of their program. For information on dates and topics, visit [ischool.syr.edu/seminar](http://ischool.syr.edu/seminar).

**Exit Requirement: 3 to 9 credits**

IST 755, the MSIM 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 two credits and no more than 6 credits of internship or cooperative education 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.

*\*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.*