



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
FACULTY OF INFORMATION

Information Is Everywhere, Experts Are Few.

2022/2023 Viewbook



We Study **Information.**

We are the centre for information professions, leading research that truly matters in the digital age.

Interdisciplinary Approach

With over 90 years of experience, we've pioneered and refined our interdisciplinary approach to provide you with the right blend of knowledge, practical experience and career preparation.

People. Information. Technology.

They intersect at the Faculty of Information, a launch pad for your future as a highly-skilled practitioner or researcher. Today's technologies have transformed the way we connect with, shape and use information and cultural heritage. We invite you to explore this rapidly evolving landscape.

Exceptional Faculty & Research

Our internationally recognized faculty come from distinguished academic institutions, leading corporations and renowned heritage institutions. Through collaborative ground-breaking research, our professors explore new and emerging areas of information and museum studies. This enables the faculty to deliver current and relevant instruction while nurturing your creativity, innovation and leadership. You'll also have access to an academic library ranked in the top three in North America.



University of Toronto's Faculty of Information is a Tier One Member of iSchool, an International association of universities that lead and promote programs for the information field worldwide.

"I wouldn't have learned those skills [in my current role] without working with instructors and the team at the Faculty."

- Maia Chapman, UXD Class of 2021, Product Designer

Acknowledgement of traditional land

We wish to acknowledge this land on which the University of Toronto operates. For thousands of years it has been the traditional land of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River. Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work on this land.



MASTER OF MUSEUM STUDIES

MUSEUMS ARE FOR PEOPLE, BY PEOPLE

The Master of Museum Studies (MMSt) program brings together leading researchers and practitioners to offer students the theory and professional experience they need to play a leading role in a wide variety of cultural institutions, from museums and galleries to science centres and heritage sites. Learn about the interactions between people, information and digital technologies. Learn how professionals organize, design, store, access and preserve information.

Headstart your career at the only english-speaking master program of its kind in Canada.

RENOWNED RESEARCHERS

Our faculty members participate in ground-breaking, interdisciplinary research in areas covering:

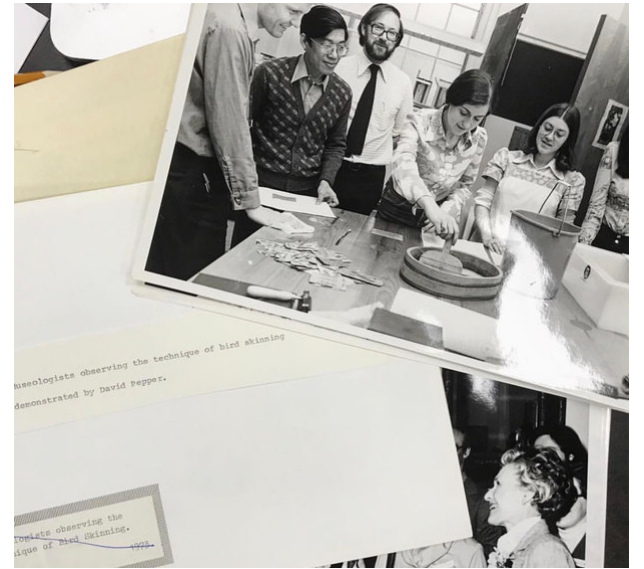
- archeology
- anthropology
- communication
- education
- sociology
- food studies
- visual studies

EXPLORE YOUR PATHWAY

There are two different pathways you can take to complete your MMST degree.

All MMSt students complete fifteen 0.5-credit courses (7.5-credits), regardless of pathway chosen.

Exhibition Pathway	Thesis Pathway
YEAR ONE	
2.0 total credits worth of required courses	2.0 total credits worth of required courses and one research method course
YEAR TWO	
MSL 2350H OR INF2040 (0.5 credit) and MSL 4000Y Exhibition project (1.0 credit)	MSL2350 or INF2040 (0.5 credit) and thesis (2.0 credits)
ELECTIVES	
Eight 0.5 credit elective courses for a total of 4.0 credits <small>at least 1 elective (0.5 credit) must be an MMSt elective</small>	Five 0.5 credit elective courses for a total of 2.5 credits <small>at least 1 elective (0.5 credit) must be an MMSt elective</small>



STUDENTS IN THE MMSt PROGRAM ARE GIVEN A **UNIQUE** CAREER ADVANTAGE



LINKING THEORY WITH PRACTICE

Students in the MMSt program gain the critical knowledge skills, and boldness to advocate for change in cultural institutions.

Internships: Students participate in optional internships, developing their skills at museums and heritage institutions across Canada and beyond.

Exhibition Project: Students in their final year of study design a project in collaboration with partnering cultural institutions.

Plus: Collaborative group work, Student clubs and associations, iSkills workshops, Work study, Job shadowing, Networking events, Ask an Alum

OUR GRADUATES ARE IN DEMAND, AND IT SHOWS

94%

of MMSt graduates found employment within a year of graduation

Of that, 67% of MMSt graduates were working in positions closely or somewhat related to their degree.

*According to those who responded to 2018 Alumni Employment Survey



MASTER OF INFORMATION

WE STUDY INFORMATION.

The Master of Information (MI) program explores information and knowledge management in all its breadth, depth and richness. With many different concentrations options – and the opportunity to customize your program – the MI provides students the theory and skills needed to excel across a wide variety of research and career paths.

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EXPLORE YOUR PATHWAY

There are three different pathways you can take to complete your MI degree. Discover a pathway best suited for you!

- Coursework only
- Concentration + Thesis
- Concentration + Co-op

Please note that the MI program requires students to complete 8.0-credits regardless of pathway chosen.

CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION

TALint PROGRAM

PRACTICUM

OUR GRADUATES ARE IN DEMAND

92%

of MI graduates found
employment within a year
of graduation



"As I transition my career from graphic design and animation to UX design & research, the experience I gained at my placement has given me confidence and equipped me with the knowledge and skills required to take on the industry. I would highly recommend the co-op program to anyone looking for valuable industry experience."

- Melissa Kumaresan, UXD, Class of 2021

WITH **EIGHT CONCENTRATIONS** IN OUR MI PROGRAM, FIND THE ONE BEST SUITED FOR YOU.

ARM: ARCHIVES & RECORDS MANAGEMENT

The importance of archives and records for democracy – and for future generations – cannot be overstated. But how do we preserve (let alone record) information in a digital age defined by continual change? Learn how to identify, manage and preserve analog and digital archives and records and be inspired by the leading researchers and faculty in Archives + Records Management (ARM).

CIPS: CRITICAL INFORMATION POLICY STUDIES

47% of the people on the planet use the Internet.* To say that technology is embedded in our lives is to state the obvious, but what do these changes mean for our human rights? Have our laws and policies adapted to this new digital age? The Critical Information Policy Studies (CIPS) concentration is training the policy makers of the future to study information – in its many forms – with a critical eye.

*International Telecommunications Union (ITU)

C&T: CULTURE & TECHNOLOGY

Did you know that computer systems are also social systems? How do we build ethics, morality and social justice into our information systems for the greater good? The Culture + Technology (C&T) concentration allows students to examine how society, culture and our understanding of the human condition are influenced by technological development. The world is changing fast – faculty and students from C&T are working hard to make sure it changes for the better.

LIS: LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE

There are billions of people on the planet and there are billions of publications. Library + Information Science (LIS) brings the two together to solve this generation's most vexing problems. LIS contributes to the building of a better world by allowing documents to engage with the imagination. Focus areas include academic, public and special librarianship, government documents, information and information resources and collections.

KMIM: KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

How do we facilitate effortless and seamless knowledge transfer? With the Knowledge Management + Information Management (KMIM) concentration, students learn how to effectively share, create, access and retain knowledge – unique skills that can be applied to a wide range of professional roles in corporations and communities.

UXD: UX DESIGN

Learn how to create better digital environments. The UXD concentration considers ways in which people interact with technology by studying typical users, context of uses, interaction techniques and resulting emotions, and a variety of other UX assessment techniques. With UXD, students gain the skills they need to become professional UX practitioners through a combination of theoretical and hands-on instruction from academic and industry leaders.

HCDS: HUMAN CENTERED DATA SCIENCE

The HCDS concentration allows students to understand the fundamental concepts, theories, practices and different horizons in which data is retrieved and manipulated, while they apply new technological developments and realize the impact such developments may have on society. HCDS students will develop knowledge of software principles and practices, programming concepts and techniques, data structures, and system development methods + practices.

ISD: INFORMATION SYSTEMS & DESIGN

The Information Systems + Design (ISD) concentration focuses on the intersection of people, information technologies and organizations. It's where theory and practice meet in the design of complex information systems. ISD enables students to build expertise in the design, management, and implementation of software and information systems across a wide variety of media, organizations and businesses.

COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAM (CDP)

THE COMBINED DEGREE PROGRAM (CDP) OPTION ALLOWS STUDENTS TO PURSUE THE MASTER OF INFORMATION AND THE MASTER OF MUSEUM STUDIES AT THE SAME TIME.

Are you interested in both of our master's programs? Why not take both!
With the combined degree program, students can gain greater expertise in the intersection of the Master of Museum Studies and the Master of Information.

Program Length: 3 years
Recommended for students interested in: Museum informatics, digital cultural heritage, cultural information policy, the intersection of cultural memory institutions (libraries, archives, and museums), digital curation and use of social networking technologies in museums.

EXPLORE YOUR PATHWAY.

Are you interested in pursuing both an MMSt and an MI? Here is how the CDP option would work!

Please note that the CDP option requires students to complete 13 credits worth of courses

Combined Degree Program Pathway

Complete a total of 5.0–credits for the MMSt part of the CDP , including 3.5 credits worth of required courses & 1.5 credits of electives from the MMST program

Complete a total of 5.0–credits for the MI part of the CDP, including required courses and 2.0– or 2.5–credits or 3.0–credit of electives from the MI program (depending on your MI concentration)

3.0–credit of electives can be chosen from the MI, MMSt or an external graduate unit

Your Future Starts Here



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

A REPUTATION FOR EXCELLENCE

Established in 1827, the University of Toronto is one of the world's foremost institutions in terms of academic achievement and at the forefront of innovation. The University of Toronto's ranking for academic work and research, as well as employability of our graduates, is among the best in the world and **ranked #1 in Canada.**

AN EXTRAORDINARY ENVIRONMENT

Whether you are taking a Master of Information or Master of Museum Studies, Toronto is the best place to launch your career.

Located in the heart of Toronto, we are only minutes away from major Canadian heritage institutions, such as the Royal Ontario Museum and the Art Gallery of Ontario, and the largest public library system in North America, with over 100 library branches in the city. Toronto is enriched in diversity and is one of the world's safest and most vibrant cities in the world.

STUDENTS AND ALUMNI HAVE ACCESS TO A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DESIGNED TO ASSIST THEM THROUGHOUT THEIR GRADUATE STUDIES

iSkills Workshops

Students can participate in professional, academic and technical workshops that offer practical skills. These workshops cover a variety of topics, from creating a quality resume to learning HTML and Python.

Actively Engaged Alumni

Through our Ask an Alum and Job Shadowing programs, current students can receive mentorship and guidance from our alumni.

Student Services

We have a helpful student services team that assists with academic, administrative, financial and personal concerns.



STUDENT LIFE

STUDENT CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

The Faculty of Information is home to student associations and organizations that strive to support students throughout their masters journey. Here are a few of the many organizations affiliated with the iSchool.



Master of Museum Studies Student Association (MUSSA)

MUSSA represents and serves Master of Museum Studies (MMSt) and Combined Degree Program (CDP) students at the University of Toronto's Faculty of Information.



Museum Professionals of Colour (MPOC)

MPOC is a University of Toronto based student association aimed at addressing racial diversity within the Faculty of Information's Master of Museum Studies (MMSt) program and the museum sector as a whole.



Master of Information Student Council (MISC)

MISC is a group of elected students that work to improve student life for MI students in the UofT Faculty of Information. MISC advocates for student needs, organizes events & opportunities for professional development, and creates a sense of community among students.

Apply Today.

Here's what you need to know about applying to our graduate programs at the Faculty of Information.

Eligibility

An appropriate Bachelor's degree (4 year degree or equivalent) from a recognized university. The degree may be in any discipline or area of study, and must normally contain at least 75% academic credits.

The minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) on the admitting Bachelor's degree: MI + MMSt: B+ (3.3/4.0)

Application Deadline

Masters: Online Application Opens October 1

Early Deadline: January 31

To be considered for any Faculty of Information entrance awards or the TALint program, all application materials need to be received by January 31st. Includes the online application form, application fee, and all supporting documents. Admissions awards/scholarships are highly competitive

Domestic Applicants:

Regular Deadline: April 30

Supporting Documents Deadline: May 15

International Applicants"

Regular Deadline: February 28

Supporting Documents Deadline: March 14

PhD: Online Application Opens October 1

December 1 – online application, application fee and research statement must be submitted

December 15 – all other supporting documents must be submitted (transcripts, CV/resume, writing sample, academic letters of reference, English proficiency (if applicable))

Application Checklist

01. Submit and pay for the online admissions application at: apply.sgs.utoronto.ca
02. As part of the online application form, enter the referee name and email for the 2 required academic referees
03. After submitting the application, applicants will be taken to a status portal where you can pay the application fee and upload other required application materials.
04. Choose your primary and secondary concentration (for MI).
05. Official language test scores, if applicable, sent directly from the test centre

Entering Awards (annually): 10-20% of full-time students receive entrance awards valued from \$1,500 to full domestic tuition

Master of Information (MI):

Entry Point: September only

Duration: Full-time- 2 years

Year 1 Program Fees (2021):

Full-Time, domestic: \$12 114.99

Part-Time, domestic: \$4,043.99

Full-Time, international: \$42,340.99

Part-Time, international: \$13,650.24

Master of Museum Studies (MMSt):

Entry Point: September only

Duration: Full-time only - 2 years

Year 1 Program Fees (2021):

Full-Time, domestic: \$12 159.99

Full-Time, international: \$42,315.99

Master of Information (MI):

Entry Point: September only

Duration: Full-time only - 3 years

Year 1 Program Fees:

Please check website.

Stay Connected.

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Upcoming Information Days :

Saturday October 30, 2021

Saturday November 27, 2021

Saturday January 15, 2022

Saturday February 26, 2022

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