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Middle South

Diversifying Librarianship for
Our Digital Future

Cohort Program: 2014-2016

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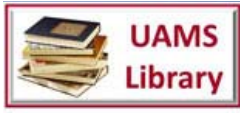
Programs Available Nationwide

- Denton
- UNT Dallas
- Houston
- Virginia
- Greater Los Angeles
- Nevada/Utah
- Georgia
- SWIM Cohort (South Dakota, Wyoming, Idaho & Montana)
- U.S. – Affiliated Pacific Islands Region
- ELMS – Arkansas/ Western Tennessee

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The UNT/DLIS ELMS Cohort



Classes start with the Web Institute

January 2 – 6, 2014

University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Library
Little Rock, Arkansas

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The North Texas Difference

- The program offers flexibility for busy students
- Scholarship & grant opportunities
- Individual academic counseling & guidance
- High level faculty/student interaction
- Placement services including website job postings
- Multiple communication channels foster community including SLIS Village – a virtual forum for conversation
- 24/7 access to UNT Electronic Library resources online

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UNT Libraries

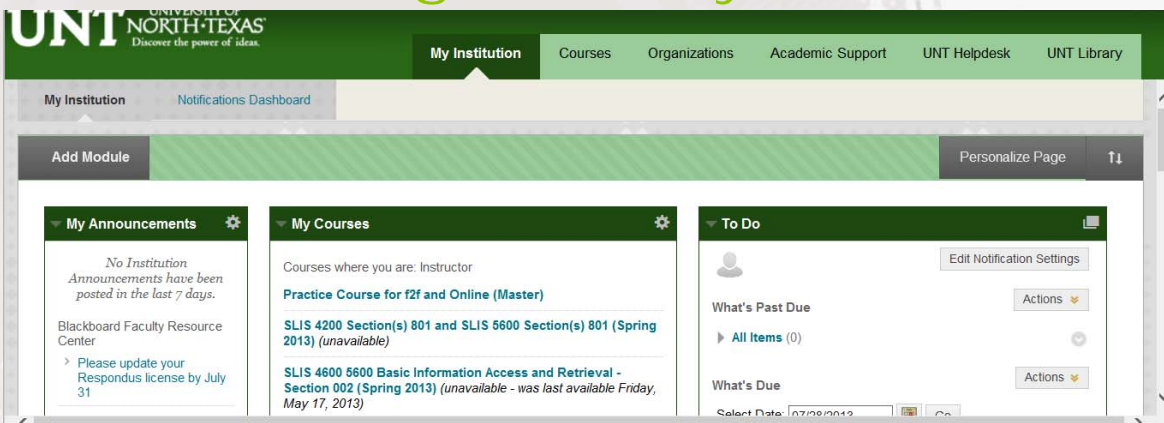


- Online research databases
- Digital collections
- Media & Music Library
- Material available by mail
- Included in student fees

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Blackboard Learn Course Management System



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The UNT/DLIS Master's Program

Degrees, Certificates, Advising, & Graduating

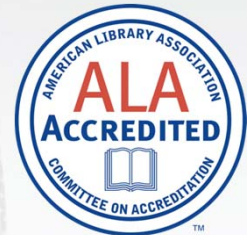
Degrees Offered

- **Master's**

- Information Science: MS
- Library Science: MS

- **Graduate Academic Certificate**

- Youth Services in Library and Information Settings
- Digital Knowledge Management
- Storytelling
- Advanced Management in Libraries and Information Agencies



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UNT/DLIS Master's Program

- 36 Hour Degree Program
- Two Year Program
- Core Courses – 9 hours
 - SLIS 5000 – Information and Knowledge Professions (3 hours)
 - SLIS 5200 – Introduction to Information Organization (3 hours)
 - SLIS 5600 – Information Access and Knowledge Inquiry Retrieval (3 hours)

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Library & Information Sciences Programs of Study

- General Program of Study
- Distributed Learning Librarianship
- Legal Informatics and Law Librarianship
- Digital Knowledge Management
- School Librarianship
- Youth Librarianship
- Health Informatics
- Information Organization
- Information Systems

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Online School Library Certification

- School Library Certification requirements vary from state to state.
- All certification courses count as electives toward the Masters degree

Visit <http://lis.unt.edu/> for more information

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Advising and Practicum

- Students pursuing the MLS will be advised by the
 - Program Director/Advisor – Dr. Yvonne J. Chandler, Associate Professor
 - Health Informatics Program Director – Dr. Ana Cleveland, Regents Professor
- Advisors can assist with degree plans, answer any questions, and help with enrolling in classes.
- Each student is required to have a practicum experience
- Students may meet the requirement by:
 - Completing a practicum of a minimum of 120 hours
 - Students can get a waiver for the practicum by applying for a Field Experience Waiver Form if they have experience working in a library or information environment

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Graduation Requirements

- Completion of 36 hours or 12 classes of study
- A student must have an average GPA of 3.0 (B) or higher on all course work in the degree program
- Pass the End of Program Examination (EOP) - the culminating, "capping" academic event for all DLIS students
- The EOP is graded on a PASS/FAIL basis
- Examination taken at the completion of all coursework



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The Application Process Texas Two-Step

Applying to the UNT Graduate School
& the DLIS Master's Program



Application Process:

Master's Admission Checklist Step One

1. Application to the UNT Toulouse School of Graduate Studies - <http://www.tsgs.unt.edu/>
Apply for Admission: (<http://www.tsgs.unt.edu/admissions> or <http://www.tsgs.unt.edu/admissions/programs>)
2. You need to complete the Graduate School minimum qualifications before you will be considered for admission to the School of Library and Information Sciences.
3. On-line application from Apply Texas, the Texas Common Application: https://www.applytexas.org/adappc/gen/c_start.WBX

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Essay prompts for U.S. Freshman and International Freshman Applications will be changing for Summer 2014, Fall 2014, and Spring 2015. (Essays for Summer 2013, Fall 2013, and Spring 2014 Applications are NOT changing.) You may preview the [new essay prompts here](#).

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Step One: Admission to the Graduate School

Academic Advisers
Academic Catalog
Classes & Registration
Degrees, Colleges & Schools
Faculty & Staff Resources
Graduation
Research
Theses & Dissertations
Cross Registration (Federation)

Graduate Life
Fellowships & Scholarships
Forms
Frequently Asked Questions
Graduate Workshops
Important Missions
Teaching Assistants & Fellows
Writing Resources
iMSTEP
Graduate Alumni
Student Financial Aid Services (SFAS.com)
Corporate Jobs

Attention McNair Scholars: UNT will pay the application fee upon receipt of the [request for admission application fee waiver form](#) from your McNair director. Find out about more [opportunities for McNair Scholars](#).

How to apply

- 1 Submit online application at [ApplyTexas](#) as early as possible.**
The application fee is \$75. Students are encouraged to apply at least two months before the semester begins. For maximum eligibility for UNT fellowships and assistantships, submit all program application materials by December 1 for the following Fall semester.
Your application must be reviewed and accepted by both the Toulouse Graduate School and your specific degree program. **Some programs have earlier deadlines.**
Students from outside the United States must apply through [UNT International](#).
- 2 Request official transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended.**
Contact the registrar's office at each institution. Request that each send an official transcript of your records to the Toulouse graduate school.

By U.S. Postal Service:
Toulouse Graduate School
1335 Union Circle #305459
Gerton, TX 76203-3017

By UPS/FedEx:
Toulouse Graduate School
1347 Union Circle, ESSC 334
Gerton, TX 76203-3459

Transcripts are required from every college or university you have attended and must arrive by the application deadline. Contact the colleges and universities you have attended about their processes for providing official transcripts.

The transcripts must show you have earned a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution and earned the required grade point average.

GPA requirement for UNT consideration:

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Application Deadlines

Semester	Start Date	Application Deadline	Recommended ELMS Deadline
• Spring 2014	• Jan. 13, 2013	• Nov. 15, 2013	• Nov. 1, 2013

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Application Process Master's Admission Checklist

1. **Send Official transcripts** from all colleges attended to UNT – Toulouse School of Graduate Studies
2. **Pay the Application Fee - \$75**
3. **Submit official score reports on one of the following entrance exams:**
 - Millers Analogies Test (MAT) 1-800-622-3231 or <http://www.milleranalogies.com>
Fee: \$70.00
 - Graduate Record Examination (GRE) 1-800-GRE-CALL or <http://www.gre.org>
Fee: \$140 but fee varies at each Testing Center

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Miller's Analogies Test



<http://psychcorp.pearsonassessments.com/haiweb/Cultures/en-US/site/Community/PostSecondary/Products/MAT/mathome.htm>

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Graduate Record Examinations



<http://www.gre.org>

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Step Two: Application Process

Look at the Admission Process for the UNT/DLIS <http://lis.unt.edu/admissions-process>

1. Complete the UNT/DLIS Application
 - <http://lis.unt.edu/application-admission>
2. Submit a one-to-two-page essay stating your purpose and goals in applying to our program.
3. Submit three recommendation forms.
 - <https://lis.unt.edu/sites/default/files/FormFillin-LetterOfRecommendation.pdf>

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Master's Admissions

<http://lis.unt.edu/admissions-process/>



The screenshot shows the website for the College of Information, Department of Library and Information Sciences. The header includes navigation links like MyUNT, EagleConnect, Blackboard, People & Departments, Maps, Calendars, and Giving to UNT. The main content area is titled "Admissions Process" and features a sidebar with links for Admissions and Advising, Admissions Process, Technology Requirements, and Admission Application. The main text reads: "Admission Process for the Department of Library and Information Sciences Master's Program" and includes a red warning: "If you have submitted a complete application and have not been contacted, please contact the Department's Main Office at (940) 565-2445". The footer contains the slogan "A green light to greatness." and the UNT logo.

Communicating with UNT/DLIS

- You will receive a letter confirming your admission via your email address and via U. S. Mail
 - It is important to make sure that we have your current and active email address. If you make any changes to your contact information be sure to let the Department or me know.
- LIS Academic Advisor is Toby Faber:
toby.faber@unt.edu in the CI Advising Office.
He will help you and answer any questions you may have during the admissions process.

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Communicating with UNT/DLIS

- **Contacting the School**

- University of North Texas
College of Information
Department of Library and Information Sciences
1155 Union Circle #311068
Denton, Texas 76203-5017
Phone: (940) 565-2445
FAX: (940) 565-3101
Toll-Free: 1-877-ASK-SLIS
- <http://www.lis.unt.edu/>

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ELMS Scholarship Program

Funded by the Institute of
Museum & Library Services
– Laura Bush 21st Century
Librarian Program



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Scholarship Requirements

Scholarship applications due by November 10, 2013

1. Applicant must live in Western Tennessee or Arkansas
2. Must have applied and/or be admitted to the University of North Texas Toulouse School of Graduate Studies by November 1, 2013 as a degree or non-degree student
3. Must have applied and/or be admitted to the University of North Texas master's program offered in the UNT/DLIS by November 1, 2013 as a degree or non-degree student

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The Scholarship

30 Scholarship Awardees will receive:



1. Opportunity to earn a master's degree from an ALA accredited graduate program.
2. \$12,000 tuition scholarship including fees
3. A UNT librarian mentor matched to each student for academic support and professional mentoring
4. Professional development workshops, library tours, and classes on information literacy and technology
5. Professional association annual student memberships to the American Library Association and your state chapter

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The Scholarship

30 Scholarship Awardees will receive:



6. Opportunity to earn a Graduate Academic Certificate in Digital Content Management
7. Specially designed curriculum in one of three course concentration areas: Health Information, Library Services in Diverse Settings, or Technology Integration
8. Specialized training in digital curation and preservation including webinars and face to face workshops given by recognized leaders in the field

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How to Apply for the ELMS Scholarship

The Scholarship Application is available online from the ELMS PROGRAM WEBSITE on the UNT DLIS website at:

<http://lis.unt.edu/>

- The UNT/ELMS website is located at <http://lis.unt.edu/apps/elms>
- The ELMS Scholarship Application is available at http://lis.unt.edu/apps/elms/ELMSscholarship_application.pdf

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How to Apply for the ELMS Scholarship

1. Your completed application form
2. A current resume including your education and work history
3. A statement of your community involvement
4. Your UNT Essay on Purpose and Goals
5. An essay on Library Services in your state
6. Three letters of recommendation

Submit all required application materials to:
ELMS Scholarship Program Director
University of North Texas
College of Information
Department of Library and Information Sciences
3940 N. Elm, E292
Denton, TX 76207

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UNT/DLIS & ELMS Application Timeline

- It takes Four to Eight weeks for the UNT/DLIS Application Process to be completed
- ELMS Scholarship deadline is : **November 10, 2013**
- Must be admitted to UNT/DLIS to qualify for and receive the ELMS Scholarship
- Apply (submit your materials) for admission to the UNT/MLS program by **November 1, 2013** – try give yourself a month for all application materials to arrive at UNT

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Other Sources of Scholarship Funds

- American Library Association – Education & Careers
<http://www.ala.org/ala/educationcareers/index.cfm>
- Financial Assistance for Library Information Studies Directory (PDF)
http://www.ala.org/ala/educationcareers/education/financialassistance/20102011_FALIS_Booklet

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Ready to Enroll? Ready to Apply?

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1155 Union Circle #311068
Denton, Texas 76203-5017
Phone: (940) 565-2445
FAX: (940) 565-3101

- For more information and answers to your questions:
- Dr. Yvonne Chandler
Email: yvonne.chandler@unt.edu
Phone: (940) 565-3777
Toll-Free: 1-877-ASK-SLIS
or 1-877-275-7547
- <http://lis.unt.edu/>

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Questions?