INFORMATION SYSTEMS, MASTER OF SCIENCE

Information systems and technologies are revolutionizing the way we live and work. The rapid pace of technological advances requires a new generation of talented and tech-savvy business leaders who possess a framework of foundational knowledge to anticipate and manage change and recognize opportunities for business value creation by adapting and implementing new technologies. The Master of Science in Information Systems (MSIS) program prepares students to lead IT initiatives aimed at organizational success, providing secure infrastructure platforms and breakthrough strategic advantage.

The MSIS program is designed for:

- IS professionals who want to advance into leadership roles in their organizations or start their own business or consultancy.
- Business professionals who want to leverage their expertise in functional areas, recognizing that advances in IT are changing every part of an organization.
- Recent graduates who want to learn how information and related technologies can be decisive factors for organizations to succeed in the global marketplace.

The MSIS curriculum reflects the latest IS research and industry best practices.

The program curriculum bridges technology and business with coursework in: artificial intelligence, machine and deep learning, distributed computing, cybersecurity and data vulnerability, data sciences and business intelligence, data networks (telecommunications) infrastructures, emerging technologies, big data analytics, cloud and mobile technologies, IT development and global sourcing strategies, enterprise architecture, and managing complex projects. The MSIS core spans the foundational breadth of information systems and technologies, from hands-on experience with web services to high-level information systems strategy. Elective courses provide students the flexibility to specialize the program to address personal and career objectives.

Program Requirements

The program requires 36 credits. Full-time MS students must complete the program in three semesters: fall, spring, and summer. Course waivers are not granted.

Curriculum

The curriculum for the MSIS program includes the following courses. Course sequence and availability of specific electives may vary. Students must consult with an academic advisor to ensure that they take courses in the approved sequence. All courses are 2 credits.

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Elective Courses

Select six of the following: 12

- BU.210.620 Accounting and Financial Reporting
- BU.520.620 Advanced Business Analytics
- BU.520.610 Big Data Machine Learning
- BU.360.701 Competitive Intelligence
- BU.330.730 Cybersecurity
- BU.510.650 Data Analytics
- BU.330.770 Database Management
- BU.330.760 Deep Learning with Unstructured Data
- BU.300.700 Developing Internet Systems and Services
- BU.883.702 Emerging Frontiers in Health Technologies and Strategies
- BU.142.620 Leadership in Organizations
- BU.410.620 Marketing Management
- BU.680.620 Operations Management
- BU.610.625
- BU.510.615 Python for Data Analysis

Total Credits 36

In addition to the elective courses listed above, MSIS students can select up to 2 courses (maximum 4 credits) from any area as part of the 12 elective credits. These courses must be approved by an academic advisor. The advisor-approved electives provide flexibility for students in tailoring their MSIS program.