Drexel MSI LIS Program Learning Objectives

The Drexel MSI LIS program educates information professionals for work in libraries and a variety of other organizations. Graduates of the LIS program are prepared to assume leadership positions in designing, executing, and evaluating information services and products and in managing organizations that facilitate access to recorded knowledge. This preparation enables them to gain the knowledge and abilities required to:

- Explain the foundational principles, professional ethics and values, and sociotechnical contexts in which information professionals work.

- Identify and analyze community information needs to address those needs through information services.

- Analyze and apply information policies and professional guidelines to deliver creative, ethical information services.

- Foster the core values of the profession (e.g., access, equity, intellectual freedom, privacy, social justice) in our students and in the communities they serve.

- Develop information literacy in support of individual and community needs (e.g., in education, career development, healthcare, financial planning, research innovation, political and social engagement).

- Lead and manage information agencies, projects, and people through creative and effective approaches to planning, budgeting, policy making, fundraising, communication, and advocacy.

- Use research and data in sophisticated ways to demonstrate the value of information organizations in addressing community challenges (e.g., misinformation, disinformation, preservation of cultural heritage, population shifts, economic development, and economic disparity).

- Teach other individuals and communities to understand, appraise, organize, manage, and preserve their digital and physical information assets.