USM MLIS Requirements, Electives
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Core Courses (40 hours—25 req., 15 elective*)
LIS 500—LIS Orientation (1 hour)
LIS 501—Reference and Information Sources
LIS 505—Cataloging and Classification
LIS 511—Collection Development and Management
LIS 605—Library Management
LIS 636—Foundations of Librarianship
LIS 651—Fundamentals of Information Science
LIS 668—Research Methods in LIS
LIS 695—Master’s Research Project
*One 3-hr elective must be a technology course:
LIS 516, LIS 557, or LIS 558
LIS 689: Library Practicum is strongly recommended for those with no library experience.

Required Electives for MLIS with School Library Licensure emphasis (15 hours)
LIS 508—School Libraries (Fall only)
LIS 516—Technology in the School Library (Spring only)
LIS 607—School Library and the Curriculum (Summer only)
Choose two:
LIS 517—Children’s Literature and Related Media
LIS 518—Young Adult Literature and Related Media
LIS 590—Library Instruction
Note: licensure students take LIS 589: School Library Practicum instead of 511 if not working in a school library.

Graduate Certificate in Archives & Special Collections (18 hours)
LIS 645—Digital Preservation
LIS 646—Introduction to Archival Theory & Practice
LIS 647—Introduction to Archival Organization
LIS 648—Archival Practicum
LIS 652—Metadata for Digital Collections
Electives, choose one:
LIS 506—Cataloging Multimedia Objects
LIS 533—History of the Book
LIS 580—British Studies
LIS 631—History of Libraries and Librarianship
LIS 634—History of Children’s Literature
Note: up to 12 hours of electives can count for both a certificate and MLIS; additional electives available Fall 2022.

Graduate Certificate in Youth Services & Literature (15 hours)
LIS 517—Children’s Literature and Related Media
LIS 518—Young Adult Literature and Related Media
LIS 519—Programs and Services for Youth
Electives, choose two; one 600-level:
LIS 528—Storytelling
LIS 590—Library Instruction
LIS 629—Studies in Early Children’s Literature
LIS 634—History of Children’s Literature
LIS 670—Topics in Services to Library Clientele: selected youth topics
FAM 650—Family Life Cycle Development
FAM 652—Advanced Child Development
Note: up to 12 hours of electives can count for both a certificate and MLIS; additional electives available Fall 2022.

Degree Track Elective Recommendations

Public Librarianship
LIS 517—Children’s Literature and Related Media
LIS 518—Young Adult Literature and Related Media
LIS 519—Programs and Services for Youth
LIS 540—Information Ethics
LIS 545—Information Needs of Undeserved Populations
LIS 590—Library Instruction
LIS 641—Public Libraries
LIS 664—Government Resources and Publications
LIS 670—Topics in Services to Library Clientele
LIS 689—Practicum (in public library)

Academic Librarianship
LIS 540—Information Ethics
LIS 590—Library Instruction
LIS 640—Academic Libraries
LIS 642—Special Libraries
LIS 656—Online Information Retrieval
LIS 664—Government Resources and Publications
LIS 689—Practicum (in academic library)

Special Librarianship
LIS 590—Library Instruction
LIS 642—Special Librarianship
LIS 646—Introduction to Archival Theory & Practice
LIS 656—Online Information Retrieval
LIS 664—Government Resources and Publications
LIS 689—Practicum (in special library)

Technical Services
LIS 506—Cataloging Multimedia Objects
LIS 645—Digital Preservation
LIS 652—Metadata for Digital Collections
LIS 653—LIS Database Systems
LIS 654—e-Resources Management
LIS 656—Online Information Retrieval
LIS 689—Practicum (in technical services)