



Association of Independent
Information Professionals

Independent Information Profession Education Courses

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Following is a listing of graduate degree courses and seminars that focus primarily on the entrepreneurial aspect of establishing an independent information business. Keep in mind that some of the courses listed here are not taught every year. Check the school web site for semesters and years that the course will be taught, or contact the school.

Most of the schools on this list have courses that pertain to our work, such as information retrieval, copyright issues, ethics of information exchange, and topic-specific informational research skills. For a listing of schools with American Library Association-accredited graduate programs in library and information science, see www.ala.org/ala/accreditation/lisdirb.

At the end of the list you will find a few other options that don't focus as much on the business aspect, but rather on the skills and knowledge that independent information professionals need.

Independent Info Pro / Entrepreneurial Courses Within Universities:

Emporia State University
School of Library and Information Management
PO Box 4025
Emporia, KS 66801
Phone: 316-341-5203
<http://slim.emporia.edu/program/syllabus/syllabus.htm>
Information Brokering, LI 852

McGill University
Graduate School in Library and Information Studies
3459 McTavish Street
Montreal, Quebec
Canada H3A 1Y1
Phone: 514-398-4204
<http://www.gslis.mcgill.ca/program.htm>
Marketing Information Services, GLIS 624

San José State University
School of Library and Information Science
One Washington Square
San Jose, CA 95192
Phone: 408-924-2490
<http://slisweb.sjsu.edu/classes/coursedes.htm>
Seminar in Information Science: New and Alternative Careers For Librarians and
Information Professionals, LIBR 287

Simmons College
Graduate School of Library and Information Science
300 The Fenway
Boston, MA 02115-5898
Phone: 617-521-2800
<http://www.simmons.edu/gslis/programs/index.html>
Information Entrepreneurship, LIS 478

Syracuse University
School of Information Studies
4-206 Center for Science and Technology
Syracuse, NY 13244-4100
Phone: 315-443-2911
<http://istweb.syr.edu/courses/>
Developing an Information Business, IST 525

University of Denver
Library and Information Science Program
2135 E. Wesley Ave.
Denver, CO 80208
Phone: 303.871.2747
<http://www.du.edu/LIS/>
Alternative Careers for Librarians, LIS 4610

University of Illinois – Urbana/Champaign
Graduate School of Library and Information Science
501 E. Daniel Street
Champaign, IL 61820
Phone: 217-333-7197
<http://alexia.lis.uiuc.edu>
Information Consulting, LIS 590IC

University of Michigan
School of Information
304 West Hall
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1092
Phone: 734-763-2285
<http://www.si.umich.edu/courses/>
Entrepreneurship in the Information Industry, SI 663

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
School of Information and Library Science
CB #3360 100 Manning Hall
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3360
Phone: 919-962-8366
<http://sils.unc.edu/programs/courses/descriptions.html>
Marketing of Information Services, INLS 237

University of Tennessee
School of Information Sciences
804 Volunteer Boulevard
Knoxville, TN 37996-4330
Phone: 423-974-2148
<http://www.sis.utk.edu/courses/>
The Information Industry, F537

University of Texas at Austin
Graduate School of Library and Information Science
Sanchez Building (SZB) 564
1 University Station D7000
Austin, TX 78712-0390
Phone: 512-471-3821
http://www.gslis.utexas.edu/courses/course_descriptions.php
Information Marketing, INF 387.2

University of Wisconsin
School of Information Studies
P.O. Box 413
Milwaukee, WI 53201
<http://www.uwm.edu/Dept/SOIS/>
Information Marketing, 640

Other Options:

Simmons College
Graduate School of Library and Information Science
300 The Fenway
Boston, MA 02115-5898
Phone: 617-521-2800
<http://www.simmons.edu/gslis/continuinged/workshops/online.shtml#careers>
Online Workshop: Alternative and Nontraditional Careers for Library and Information Professionals.

Amelia Kassel
Marketing Base
Phone: 800-544-5924 or 707-829-9421
<http://www.marketingbase.com/mentor.html>
Information Broker Mentor Program

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