

## **Master of Science: Information Management-Fast Track 2017-2018 Advising Check Sheet**

The 36 credit Fast Track is an accelerated degree program for the MS in Information Management (MS-IM), and allows students to receive the MS-IM degree in just one year of full-time graduate study by taking graduate courses in their senior undergraduate year. Unlike other accelerated or 4+1 programs, Fast Track also gives students the option to enter the workforce after graduation and complete the remainder of the program online and/or part-time.

### **Eligibility, Application Deadlines, and Fast-Track Timeline**

Syracuse University undergraduate students in junior standing (between 54–83 total cumulative credits) are eligible for Fast Track. You are encouraged to apply by **February 1** or earlier; however, the deadline to indicate interest *and* apply is **May 1** of your junior year. Admission to the graduate program will be conditional based on completion of the undergraduate program. A detailed fast track timeline is on our website.

### **Primary Core: 9 credits**

IST 614 and IST 621 must be taken the first semester of the student's program, unless specifically advised otherwise. SU IM&T students are not required to take IST 614 or IST 621.

Class #	Course Title	When to Enroll	Completed
IST 614	Management Principles for Information Professionals	FA/SP- Sr. Year	
IST 618	Information Policy	FA/SP- Sr. Year	
IST 621	Introduction to Information Management	SP/SU- Jr. Year	

### **Secondary Core: 15 Credits**

SU IM&T students are not required to take any courses in the Management or Technology tracks; however **3 credit hours are required in the User Information track**. This will not reduce the total credits required for the MS-IM degree but will allow you to take other course electives to fulfill credit requirements for the degree.

*Courses other than those listed below may apply to the Secondary Core. A formal Petition is required for students who want to count a course towards the MS-IM program that is not listed in the advising check sheet. Please email [iAdvising@syr.edu](mailto:iAdvising@syr.edu) to learn more about the Petition process.*

### **Management Approaches and Strategies Track: 6 credits**

Class #	Course Title	Completed?
IST 619	Economics for Information Managers	
IST 645	Managing Information Systems Projects	
IST 654	Information Systems Analysis	

### **Technological Infrastructure Track: 6 credits**

Class #	Course Title	Completed?
IST 639	Enterprise Technologies	
IST 659	Data Administration Concepts & Database Management	

### **User Information Needs Track: 3 Credits**

*Three credits in this track are required for SU IM&T students.*

Class #	Course Title	Completed?
IST 553	Information Architecture for Internet Services	
IST 617	Motivational Aspects of Information Use	
IST 631	Theory of Classification and Subject Representation	
IST 641	User-Based Design	
IST 649	Human Interaction with Computers	
IST 662	Instructional Strategies & Techniques for Info Professionals	

### **Electives: 21-24 credits**

All iSchool courses are acceptable electives towards the MS-IM program, including “Selected Topics” courses, listed as IST 500, 600, or 700. These courses are offered based on sufficient interest of a topic and not covered by standard curriculum but of interest to faculty and students in a particular semester. In addition, students are allowed to take up to 6 *elective credits from other schools* at Syracuse University, such as the Whitman School of Management or the College of Engineering and Computer Science.

### **Graduate Immersion Milestone: Non- Credit, Required**

The Graduate Immersion Milestone is a 2 to 3 day workshop that presents emerging topics in the information studies field, designed to bring together students from all graduate programs in the school. Two immersion milestones will be delivered each year. Students in the MS-IM program must complete one immersion milestone during the duration of their program of studies. For information on dates and topics, visit [ischool.syr.edu/seminar](http://ischool.syr.edu/seminar).

### **Exit Requirement: 3 to 9 credits**

IST 755, the MS-IM Capstone course, must be taken after the completion of IST 614 and at least 24 credits in the degree program. For IST 971, students with *little or no appropriate experience* as information professionals must register for at least 2 credits and no more than 6 credits of internship or cooperative education credits.

<b>Class #</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Completed?</b>
IST 755	Strategic Management of Information Resources	
IST 971	Internship (1 to 6 credits)	

### **Guidelines for Credit Substitutions**

Students who feel they have the experience in the information technology field, may **substitute** the internship requirement for another 3-credit course. Your resume is required, and we may also request joining-leaving letters which may be audited. Please email [iAdvising@syr.edu](mailto:iAdvising@syr.edu) to learn more about this process.

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- All courses are 3 credits unless specified otherwise.
- Prospective Students contact [iGrad@syr.edu](mailto:iGrad@syr.edu) for any questions about the application process
- Current Students: contact [iAdvising@syr.edu](mailto:iAdvising@syr.edu) for any questions regarding courses and registration