

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS School of Information Sciences

School of Information Sciences: <https://ischool.illinois.edu>

The School of Information Sciences leads the way in shaping the future of information. This success is the result of a commitment to research, education, engagement, and a long history of innovation. Our school consistently earns recognition as one of the best destinations for professional studies in the information sciences.

In today's tech-centered job market, there is a high demand for informational professionals. The Bachelor of Science degree in Information Sciences (BS/IS) will provide a competitive edge by teaching undergraduate students how to:

- Design information systems and services
- Organize, manage, and evaluate information for diverse users
- Interpret data for real-world application and collaboration

Graduates will be information specialists that understand the human perspective, social context, and policy implications of information in society. In addition, graduates will have taken courses in programming, database concepts, and research methods while also learning about broader social issues, such as information equity and ethics.

The BS/IS is the only program of its kind offered among public universities in the state of Illinois. Undergraduate students will receive comprehensive and student-centered advising.

Transfer Information

The Bachelor of Information Sciences program welcomes transfer students from a variety of majors and areas of interest, especially if there is an interest in information, technology, and people.

For transfer course information, prospective transfer students should consult the [Transferology](#) website, as well as communicate directly with the iSchool's enrollment management team via phone (217) 300-5007 or email (is-futurestudents@illinois.edu) to determine if transfer coursework has known equivalencies at Illinois. If equivalent courses are not available, students intending to transfer beyond their Sophomore year may need to extend the time to degree completion to satisfy the BS/IS degree requirements at the University of Illinois. **The iSchool will enforce a ten-semester limit on enrollment, which includes enrollment in all post-secondary institutions attended (i.e., all previous and future enrollment at the iSchool). If a transfer applicant is projected to exceed this 10-term limit, applicant will be considered inadmissible.** Transfer students are also limited to two course substitutions for IS electives for Tech related courses.

The School of Information Sciences requires a **minimum grade point average of 3.00 (A = 4.00)** for admission.

Sophomore- and Junior-level transfer admission **requires completion** of transfer coursework equivalent to the following University of Illinois course:

RHET 105, Writing and Research

Completion of transfer coursework equivalent to the following University of Illinois courses and graduation requirement prior to transfer is **highly recommended**:

Language Other Than English through the third level:

The School of Information Sciences requires completion through the third level of one language other than English, either in high school or college, to graduate from the college. It is strongly recommended that transfer applicants complete this graduation requirement prior to the term of enrollment at the University of Illinois.

A Programming Course and/or Information Sciences courses: CS 101, Intro Computing: Engrg & Sci, **or** CS 105, Intro Computing: Non-Tech, **or** CS 125, Intro to Computer Science

Information Sciences (IS) and/or Informatics courses in a variety of subjects