Welcome New MLIS Students!
We are all looking forward to a productive year

The incoming MLIS cohort consists of approximately 77 online students, 67 residential students and six law librarians. All of you are automatic members of ALISS :) 

It can be intimidating to choose classes, learn new software, and understand what resources are available to help you. In fact, second year students still face these problems!

A word of wisdom to us all: Connect with each other to answer questions, exchange information, and get advice. Try emailing a question to mlisadvising@uw.edu - a team of current MLIS students will answer you! Come to happy hours and attend any event you can, whether in person or virtually. Talking informally with your fellow students will help you in unforeseen ways.

And for all students, remember that there are many student groups that can help you learn about and participate in specific areas of librarianship. If you are a first year student, think about taking on a leadership role in one of these groups (please!).

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Upcoming Events

Check the ALISS website for details...

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October Events

Oct TBD - Capstone Brainstorming (maybe the 9th)
Oct 10-11 Book Sale
Oct 13 DawgDash

Information Interviews

Informational interviews are essential to learning about potential careers and informing your choices in classes. Make it a goal to schedule one this quarter!

From the UW Bothell career center:
"An informational interview involves talking with people who are currently working in the field to gain a better understanding of an occupation or industry - and to build a network of contacts in that field. It is an informal way for you to learn about company culture, day to day tasks of a job, and career paths."

Feel like you are too shy to approach someone in your field? Watch this recorded session of "Mingling for Introverts" from iCareers for tips.

iMixUp - Sept 19

New Event! RSVP Here!

Ever wonder what all those MSIM or PhD students are working on? ALISS is partnering with student groups from other programs to bring us all together. Students from each program bring separate strengths to projects. We just need to meet each other! There will be fun structured activities, informal social time, and food. This is for all iSchool graduate students.

ALISS Book Sale

October 10 & 11
10am - 4pm
Volunteers needed!

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Summer Study Abroad

Several study abroad programs gave LIS students the chance to study internationally. Two students reported in..

**Hanna Roseen** - The Netherlands study abroad trip was fun and fascinating. The course was driven by site visits to libraries, archives, and libraries. Through seeing all the incredible work these institutions do it was made clear how innovation in the cultural heritage sector doesn’t have to be big and bold, but rather creative, centered on users, and often simple. I was particularly fascinated by how the libraries moving away from large physical collections now have the space to focus on other library goals and to embrace different kinds of learning. This was especially seen in OBA, the central public library in Amsterdam, where people stay longer and interact more with others since they come to study, hang out, or eat at the cafe.

**Emmaline Cotter** - I went on the South Korea study abroad program for four weeks and had so, so many amazing experiences. Between eating a ton of delicious food, walking all over the city, and singing our hearts out at noraebang, we also got to conduct research on one aspect of the intersection of information, culture, and technology in South Korea (mine was about technology usage in green space within Seoul!), which gave a unique lens to our experiences. Another really cool part about the program was that each UW student was partnered up with an LIS student at the university we were studying at (SKKU). From that, I was able to gain a really in-depth view of LIS in South Korea and how it differs between our two countries, which helped me gain a lot of perspective as I move forward with my own MLIS degree this year.

Learn more about study abroad