

Text from <https://ischool.uw.edu/programs/msim/degree-options/residential-online-comparison>:

Residential & Online | Information School | University of Washington [Jump to Main Content](#) [Jump to Top Navigation](#) [Jump to Page Navigation](#) [Jump to Footer Navigation](#) [University of Washington](#) [University of Washington Information School Programs](#) [Informatics Undergraduate major and minor](#) [MLIS Master of Library and Information Science](#) [MSIM Master of Science in Information Management](#) [Museology Master of Arts](#) [Ph.D. Doctorate Program](#) > [Professional Development & Continuing Education](#) [Research Updates](#) The latest news from our faculty and research staff [Research Areas](#) Core topics of iSchool research [Research Groups](#) Hubs for innovative scholarship & research [Grants & Awards](#) Recent funding for iSchool research projects [Research Events](#) Guest lectures and our [Research Fair](#) showcase [News & Events](#) [News](#) The latest stories from our community [Events](#) What's happening on campus and beyond [Podcast](#) [Documents That Changed the World](#), with Joe Janes [People Directory](#) Find iSchool faculty, staff and students [Alumni](#) Stay connected with the iSchool and fellow alumni [Advising & Support](#) Find help from our team of student advisors [Faculty Affairs](#) Making the iSchool a joyful professional community for faculty [The School About Us](#) The iSchool is home to innovators and leaders who make information work [Diversity](#) We are committed to building an inclusive community [Employers & Partners](#) How to collaborate with faculty and students [Capstone](#) Students work with organizations to solve information problems [Support the iSchool](#) Every gift makes a difference to students [Customize Your Experience](#) Would you like to see information for [Future Students](#) , [Current Students](#) , [Faculty & Staff](#) ,

[or Everyone](#) ? [Audience Tools](#) [Search Menu](#) [Master of Science in Information Management](#) [Informatics](#) [MLIS](#) [MSIM](#) [Curriculum Specializations](#) [Degree Tracks](#) [Residential & Online](#) [Tuition, Aid & Scholarships](#) [Student Experience](#) [Career Outcomes](#) [Admissions](#) [Museology](#) [Ph.D. Academics](#) [Admissions Committees](#) [Scholarships & Funding](#) [People](#) [Professional Development & Continuing Education](#) [Resources: Advising & Support](#) [Capstone Projects](#) [Upcoming Info Sessions](#) [Videos: Alumni at Work](#) [Request more information](#) [Residential & Online Programs](#) [MSIM Residential & Online](#) Students can apply as either a residential or online student in their selected degree option.

Residential students take most or all of their classes on campus in Seattle, Washington, while online students complete the entire program remotely, from anywhere in the world. Compare the two offerings to see which mode is most ideal for your lifestyle. Reminder: Once you are admitted to a program mode, either residential or online, you stay in that mode for the duration of the program.

Online Residential Degree Residential and online students earn the same MSIM degree. Course delivery Complete your coursework from anywhere. Complete most coursework asynchronously, with live online classes scheduled for 90 minutes each week. Classes are held on the UW campus in Seattle, Washington. Attend in-person classes at specific dates and times (three to four hours a week); complete reading and assignments asynchronously. Enrollment dates & application process Start in any quarter you choose. Enrollment takes place each winter, spring, summer and autumn. There are three review periods in each enrollment cycle. One start date per year. Enrollment takes place each autumn. Application processes and timelines vary, and candidates should pay careful attention to the dates and details associated with their chosen program track. To apply [Apply Now](#)

Apply Now Application requirements Application (same application elements and requirements for both modes) \$85 application fee Statement of purpose Two letters of recommendation Resume or CV Transcripts GRE/GMAT (waived for eligible students) English language proficiency (for non-native English speakers) Specializations Business Intelligence Data Science Program/Product Management & Consulting Business Intelligence Data Science Information Architecture Information & Cyber Security Program/Product Management & Consulting User Experience Degree tracks Early-Career, Early-Career Accelerated and Mid-Career options. Curriculum Residential and online students have the same requirements and take the same courses. Online students have fewer elective options and cannot pursue courses outside of MSIM Online at this time. Residential and online students have the same requirements and take the same courses. Residential students can take courses in the MSIM program and in other iSchool graduate programs and from various UW departments. Pace All students can complete their studies part time or full time. Mid-Career students can complete their studies part time or full time. Early-Career and Early-Career Accelerated students are expected to be enrolled full time. Student support All MSIM students, regardless of their program

mode, also have access to career services, academic advising, and career events and programming offered through the iSchool and the University of Washington Career and Internship Center. Dedicated student success coaches are assigned to online students throughout their studies. All MSIM students, regardless of their program mode, also have access to career services, academic advising, and career events and programming offered through the iSchool and the University of Washington Career and Internship Center.

Campus resources All UW students (online or residential) have access to campus resources (UW libraries, disability services, mental health support, student employment, athletic facilities, etc.) ? though some campus resources cannot be delivered remotely.

Tuition & fees Tuition and fees are the same for all students, regardless of citizenship or Washington state resident status. Residential and online modes share the same tuition rates, subject to change at the start of each academic year for both new and continuing students. A \$500 non-refundable deposit is required to accept the offer of admission.

Scholarships Applicants are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships upon admission review. Applicants can apply for supplemental scholarship awards during the application process. Graduate assistantships and student employment opportunities are available. Applicants are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships upon admission review. Endowed scholarships are available in the second year of the MSIM program. Graduate assistantships and student employment opportunities are available.

Questions? Learn more in our FAQ.

Resources: Advising & Support Capstone Projects Upcoming Info Sessions Videos: Alumni at Work Request more information News

iBuyers are changing real estate racial disparities, iSchool research shows Tuesday, August 13, 2024 Instant buyers, also known as iBuyers, rapidly buy and sell homes using automated models to set prices. These companies, such as Opendoor and Offerpad, can turn around cash offers in a matter of hours, and they've captured more than 5%... Read more

IMLS awards more than \$1 million to iSchool researchers Tuesday, August 13, 2024 The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has awarded a total of more than \$1 million in grants to University of Washington Information School researchers to support four projects that build on scholarship in libraries and... Read more

Events Aug 28 3:00-4:00PM Informatics Program Overview for Future UW Seattle First-Year and

[Current High School Students Zoom / Online Sep 4 3:00-4:00PM Informatics Program Overview for Transfer Students Zoom / Online Sep 11 10:00-11:00AM iCareer Services Program Orientation \(All Programs\) Sep 11 5:00-6:00PM iCareer Services Program Orientation \(All Programs\) Zoom / Online](#)
[iSchools.org Jobs Contact Us Privacy Policy Terms & Conditions Logo & Brand Guidelines IT / Help Desk Twitter Facebook Instagram Youtube LinkedIn Make a Gift iSchools.org © 2024 UW](#)
[Information School Box 352840 - Mary Gates Hall, Ste. 370 Seattle , WA 98195-2840 United States of America 206-685-9937](#) [Close](#) [Close menu](#) [Toolkit](#) [Customize Your Experience](#) [Change audience type](#) [Search:](#) [All](#) [People](#) [Programs](#) [Informatics](#) [MLIS](#) [MSIM](#) [Museology](#) [Ph.D.](#) [Professional Development & Continuing Education](#) [Research Updates](#) [Research Areas](#) [Research Groups](#) [Grants & Awards](#) [Research Events](#) [News & Events](#) [News Events](#) [Podcast](#) [People Directory](#) [Alumni](#) [Advising & Support](#) [Faculty Affairs](#) [The School](#) [About Us](#) [Diversity](#) [Employers & Partners](#) [Capstone](#) [Support the iSchool toolkit](#) [iSchool Intranet](#) [MyUW](#) [Outlook on the web](#) [Office 365](#) [Workday](#) [UW Time Schedule](#) [UW Academic Calendar](#) [iSchool Slack](#) [Knowledge Base](#) [Watermark](#) [Azure Dev Tools](#) [Online Learning Help](#) [Zoom Streaming Support](#) [Canvas LMS](#) [Qualtrics](#) [Emergency Info](#) [Site Login](#)
[Enter search text](#) [Loading Results...](#) [Loading search results, please wait.](#) [Highlights](#) [Full Results](#) [See Full Results](#) [See Full Directory](#) [Customize Your Experience](#) [Future Students](#) [Current Students](#) [Faculty & Staff](#) [Everyone](#) [Close](#)