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Programs

Graduate Degrees

The School of Information offers four degrees: professional master’s degrees in information management, data science, and cybersecurity and an academic doctoral degree.

The [Master of Information Management and Systems \(MIMS\)](#) program is a two-year full-time program, designed to train students in the skills needed to succeed as information professionals. Such a profession is inherently interdisciplinary, requiring aspects of computer science, cognitive science, psychology and sociology, economics, business, law, library/information studies, and communications.

The [Master of Information and Data Science \(MIDS\)](#) program is an innovative part-time fully online program that trains data-savvy professionals and managers. Working with data at scale requires distinctive new skills and tools. The MIDS program is distinguished by its disciplinary breadth; unlike other programs that focus on advanced mathematics and modeling alone, the MIDS degree provides students insights from social science and policy research, as well as statistics, computer science and engineering.

The [Master of Information and Cybersecurity \(MICS\)](#) program teaches students to develop solutions for complex cybersecurity challenges. Delivered online, MICS provides the technical skills and contextual knowledge students need to assume leadership positions in private sector technology companies as well as government and military organizations.

The I School’s [Ph.D. program in Information Science](#) offers the resources, support, and inspiration that scholars need to pursue new ideas, conduct their own research, and shape the evolving relationship between people and information around the world.

The 5th Year MIDS program is no longer accepting applications for new students.

	MIMS	MIDS	MICS	Ph.D.
Location:				
UC Berkeley’s South Hall				
Online				
4- to 5-day immersion on the				

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campus.

Program length:	Two years	20 months	20 months	About 6 years
Semesters	4	4-5	4-5	about 12
Summers included?	No	Yes	Yes	No
Course load:				
Full-time	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Part-time		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Standard course load per semester	12 units (4 courses)	6 units (2 courses)	6 units (2 courses)	12 units
Total units	48	27	27	varies
New students start:				
January		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
May		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
August	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Application deadline	Early January	Rolling admissions	Rolling admissions	Early December

Graduate Certificates

The School of Information offers two graduate certificates for students who have already been admitted to a Berkeley graduate program. These certificates complement a wide range of existing degree programs:

- The [Graduate Certificate in Applied Data Science](#) introduces the tools, methods, and conceptual approaches of modern data analysis and decision-making.
- The [Graduate Certificate in Information and Communication Technologies and Development](#) equips students to work across boundaries on societal problems in the developing world.

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