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Information Studies MA (PGDip PGCert)

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Information Studies MA

During the first two years I had to learn to find the balance between working two part time jobs as a teacher and library assistant as well as studying for my MA. It has been a challenge but it has enabled me to achieve the dream job of being the senior school librarian in one of the leading independent schools in the country!



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Information Studies MA(PGDip PGCert)

Our MA in Information Studies provides a first professional qualification and is accredited by CILIP (the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals).

The modules offered are:

- Information Sources and Retrieval
- Organising Knowledge
- Managing Information Services
- Information Services for the Web
- The Network Society
- Research Methods
- The Placement/Dissertation

Why study at Brighton?

We are a friendly and dedicated team, who work closely together to provide a very supportive atmosphere for students.

We provide a solid theoretical foundation in library and information science with an emphasis on practical application of knowledge and skills. Practitioner input – in the form of visiting speakers and placement providers – is a key feature of our course design.

We are also engaged in relevant professional and research activities. Members of our team sit on the CILIP South East Committee, the CILIP Accreditation Board and on the Library and Information Research Group. Our research interests range from the history of library professionals, and current professional identity, to the role of the public library in society and evaluating health information services.

Flexible study options

The course can be completed full-time in a calendar year or taken on a part-time basis over two or three years. Modules run all day on wednesdays and fridays, making it easy to fit study around part-time work.

Career options

Our graduates have a high success rate in finding jobs and work across a range of library sectors. Recent graduates are working as children's and school librarians, in the academic sectors and as researchers.

Entry Requirements

Students will usually have a degree (2:2 or above). Previous library experience is an advantage, but is not essential.



Martin De Saulles
Course leader

I have taught at the university since 2003 and specialise in information law, knowledge management and information retrieval. Before joining the university I worked as an analyst and information manager in the management-consulting sector where I ran the information centre for the telecommunications practice of Mercer Management Consulting.

As well as teaching, I carry out research into how businesses use the Internet as a research tool.

To find out more about the staff that teach on our library and information courses visit our blog www.informationmatters.net



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Information Management MSc (PGDip PGCert) Information Management (Health) MSc (PGDip PGCert)

These awards have been designed for information professionals wishing to extend and update their skills. The courses reflect the changing nature of information work in the twenty first century and offer students a range of modules covering technical and managerial issues.

Examples of modules available to students on these courses include:

- Professional Practice
- Research Methods
- Information, Communication and Technology in Healthcare
- Managing Change
- Legal and Ethical Issues in Information Management
- Collection Development in the Digital Age
- Information Architecture for the Web
- Innovations in Online Information
- Evaluating Library and Information Services
- Developing Training Programmes
- Managing Knowledge

Flexible study options

We welcome full and part-time students. On a full-time basis it is possible to complete the course in one year while part-time students may take up to five years. Students who do not wish to complete the dissertation and who have not taken the number of modules required for an MSc award may elect to receive a Postgraduate Diploma or Postgraduate Certificate.

We recognize that many of our students will be combining employment with their studies. Because of this, modules are delivered in short intensive blocks of three consecutive days combined with elements of distance learning. The University of Brighton has a virtual learning environment called Studentcentral. This allows staff and students to share information and communicate via the Internet. This is particularly useful for students not based permanently at the university and provides a secure platform for students and teaching staff to keep in touch throughout the year.

This mode of delivery particularly suits students with work commitments who find it easier to attend the university in these intensive blocks but is also attractive to full-time students who can map their own routes through the degree.

Accreditation

Both of the information management awards are accredited by CILIP and we see working with CILIP and other professional bodies as an important part of ensuring our courses are relevant to the library and information community.

Admissions requirements

Both courses are aimed at existing information professionals. We would normally expect a good first degree but this may not be necessary for those with relevant experience.