

# MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS MINOR

**Banner Code:** MIS

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## Administration

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With the growth in the online economy and the increasing use of data by traditional companies, the demand for business analysts, data analysts, and information systems professionals is dramatically expanding. The MIS minor offers students a focused set of courses that provide foundational knowledge and skills in management information systems. The focus is on using information systems to create solutions to business problems. The minor is intended for students who could benefit from a deeper understanding of MIS as it relates to their major or concentration. Being able to apply information systems solutions in their chosen career will make students more marketable/attractive to employers in an increasingly digital economy. The MIS minor offers a useful and attractive option for both business and non-business students. The minor is not intended for Information Technology majors, Computer Science majors, or Management Information Systems concentration students in the School of Business.

## Admissions & Policies

### Policies

At least eight credits must be unique to the minor and not applied toward any other major, minor, or concentration. Students must achieve a grade of C or better in each course that is applied toward the minor.

For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors. (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#text>) The School of Business residency requirement for this minor supersedes the university requirement: at least nine credits must be earned at Mason.

## Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Total credits: 15

#### Required Courses

| Code                 | Title   | Credits |
|----------------------|---|---------|
| MIS 303              | Introduction to Business Information Systems (Mason Core) ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a> ) | 3       |
| MIS 310<br>or IT 214 | Database Management Systems<br>Database Fundamentals  | 3       |
| MIS 320              | Networks and Security   | 3       |
| MIS 330              | Systems Analysis and Design   | 3       |
| Total Credits        |   | 12      |

#### Electives

| Code                                  | Title   | Credits |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------|
| Select one course from the following: |   |         |
| CS 112                                | Introduction to Computer Programming (Mason Core) ( <a href="http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/">http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/</a> ) | 3       |
| IT 106                                | Introduction to IT Problem Solving Using Computer Programming   |         |
| IT 109                                | Introduction to Computer Programming  |         |
| IT 322                                | Health Data Challenges  |         |
| IT 324                                | Health Information Technology Fundamentals  |         |
| MIS 341                               | Cloud Computing Essentials  |         |
| MIS 350                               | Introduction to Programming for Business Applications   |         |
| MIS 410                               | Advanced Database Systems   |         |
| MIS 412                               | E-Business Systems Development  |         |
| MIS 415                               | Information Systems Audit and Control   |         |
| MIS 420                               | Information Security and Assurance  |         |
| MIS 430                               | Data Warehousing  |         |
| MIS 431                               | Data Mining for Business Applications   |         |
| MIS 433                               | Programming for Analytics   |         |
| MIS 441                               | Cloud System Management   |         |
| MIS 491                               | Seminar in Management Information Systems   |         |
| Total Credits                         |   | 3       |