

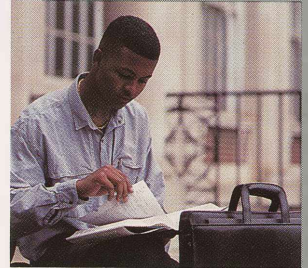


THE SCHOOL

The Clark Atlanta University School of Library and Information Studies was established in 1941 at Atlanta University. The program is accredited by the American Library Association and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The School offers a 36 semester hour program culminating in the Master of Science in Library Service degree. It also offers a sixth-year program representing 30-36 semester hours beyond the master's degree leading to the Specialist in Library Service degree.

THE HISTORY

Clark Atlanta University was formed in 1988 through the consolidation of Atlanta University, founded in 1865, and Clark College, founded in 1869. Enrolling 2,000 undergraduate and 1,000 graduate students from over 40 states and 50 countries, CAU is one of only two private, historically black, comprehensive universities in the nation offering degrees from the bachelor's through doctorate. The University is comprised of the School of Arts and Sciences and professional Schools of Business Administration, Education, Library and Information Studies and Social Work.

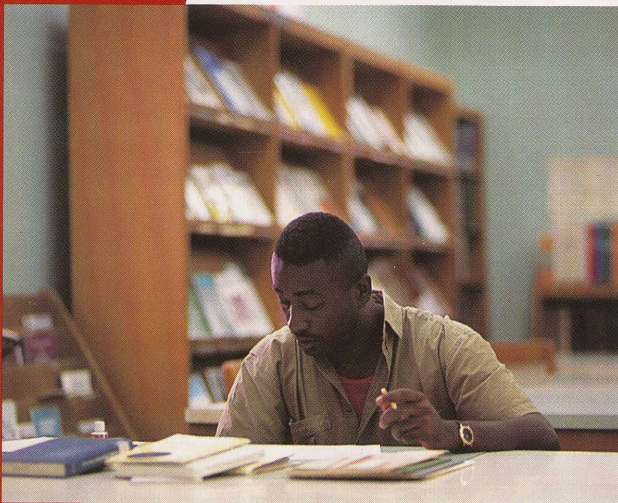


Programs in the Clark Atlanta University School of Library and Information Studies are directed toward preparing graduates to perform in information environments of all kinds: community organizations, libraries and archives, museum networks, information brokerage operations, information retrieval systems, schools, universities, special and public information areas.

THE PROFESSION

The rapidly growing library and information science profession offers diverse career opportunities and room for both personal and professional growth. In today's information-based society, information specialists, counselors, managers and librarians provide leadership in all areas—business, sciences, social sciences, technology and the humanities. Hence, people from all undergraduate majors are needed, as are those reentering the work force or changing careers. It is a profession in which the demand exceeds the supply, and the demand is expected to continue growing.

Our special library contains the essential books, journals and resources pertinent to library/information studies as well as necessary audio-visual equipment. In addition, the reference, general and special collections of the Robert W. Woodruff Library in the Atlanta University Center are available to students and faculty, as is a Computer Science Laboratory.



THE EXPERIENCES

Internships

The Clark Atlanta University School of Library and Information Studies (SLIS) offers internship opportunities as a part of the curriculum for the master's degree program. The internship is a supervised, planned field work assignment at the professional level, in a library or information center. The SLIS 781 Internship course is required for state certification for students in the school media area of specialization.

Diverse internships offer master's degree students the opportunity to translate theoretical considerations into practical applications while earning three to six credit hours. Past internships have been arranged with the Atlanta, Fulton and DeKalb County Public School Systems, the Coca-Cola Company, IBM, Equifax Corporation, The Atlanta Newspapers, Inc., McKinsey and Company, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Georgia Power Company, AT&T, Chrysler Corporation, Time Inc., the Carter Presidential Library, and the Salvation Army Officers Training School. Post-degree internships are also encouraged and have included positions at the Library of Congress and the National Library of Medicine.

The Colloquium Series

The Colloquium Series presents lectures, demonstrations, films, field trips and other learning experiences to help students become familiar with trends and issues in the profession.

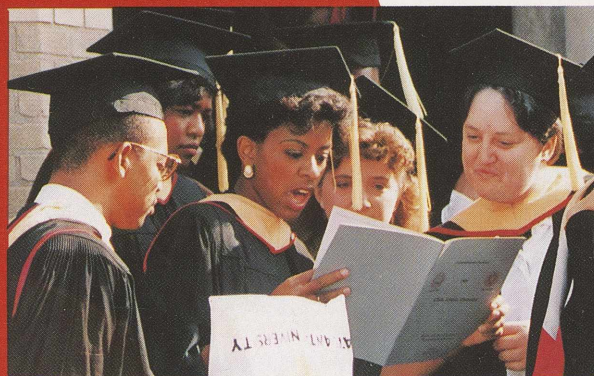
Placement

The School of Library and Information Studies maintains a Placement Service for graduates, designed to assist alumni in securing professional career positions. The placement services of Clark Atlanta University and the Atlanta University Center are also available. The School receives numerous requests for its graduates from libraries and other information agencies throughout the country.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: MASTER'S DEGREE

Graduates of colleges and universities accredited by a regional or general accrediting agency are eligible for admission. Admission requirements for the master's degree are:

- 1) A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution.



ELECTIVE COURSES

Library Administration

Academic Library

Administration

Public Library Administration

School Media Center

Administration

Special Library Administration

Automation and Computer Science

Introduction to Computer

Science

Library Automation

Computerized Access to Information Resources

Advanced Cataloging

Bibliographic Control of Non-print Materials

Subject Cataloging

Indexing and Abstracting

Advanced Bibliography

Government Publications

Information Resources for Afro-American Studies

Information Resources in the Social Sciences

Information Resources in

Science and Technology

School Media Services

Selection and Utilization of

Educational Media

Production of Instructional

Media Materials

Children's Literature

Literature for Young Adults

Ethnic Materials for Children

and Young People

School Media Systems

Supervision

Directed Research and

Internships

Directed Research

Independent Study

Internship

Seminar

Specialized Electives

Survey of Communications

Library/Information Services to the Handicapped

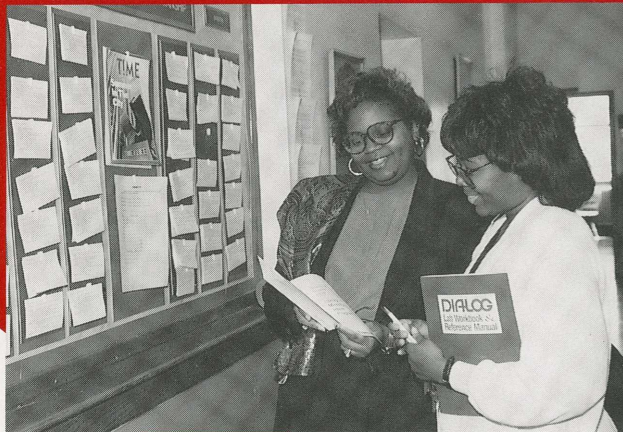
Research Methods

Law Librarianship

FINANCIAL AID

The School awards a number of tuition scholarships, grants and traineeships to entering full-time students. Awards granted annually by the School are made on the basis of scholastic achievement and financial need.

Assistantships with monthly stipends are available in the School of Library and Information Studies. Part-time employment is available in various public, special and academic metropolitan libraries in the Atlanta area.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: SPECIALIST DEGREE

The Specialist Degree Program is designed as a formal continuing education experience for those who hold the master's degree in library/information studies. This sixth-year program of study, which is planned with students in terms of their individual career goals, updates knowledge and skills, strengthens areas of specialization, and redirects career goals. Courses are to be selected and the research project is to be performed in consultation with a faculty advisor appointed by the Dean of the School.

The School of Library and Information Studies admission requirements for the sixth-year Specialist degree program are:

- 1) A master's degree in librarianship from a library school whose program is

accredited by the American Library Association.

- 2) A minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale for graduate work in librarianship.
- 3) Recommendations from the School of Library/Information Studies faculty and/or library/information center supervisors who are acquainted with the applicant's ability.
- 4) At least three years of professional library/information center experience.
- 5) Additional requirements for specialization in school media services are:
 - (a) An acceptable score on the National Teachers Examination.
 - (b) State certification as a professional school media specialist.

- 6) The results of the General Test of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) as reported by the Educational Testing Service. Although current test scores are preferred, reports up to five years old will be accepted.

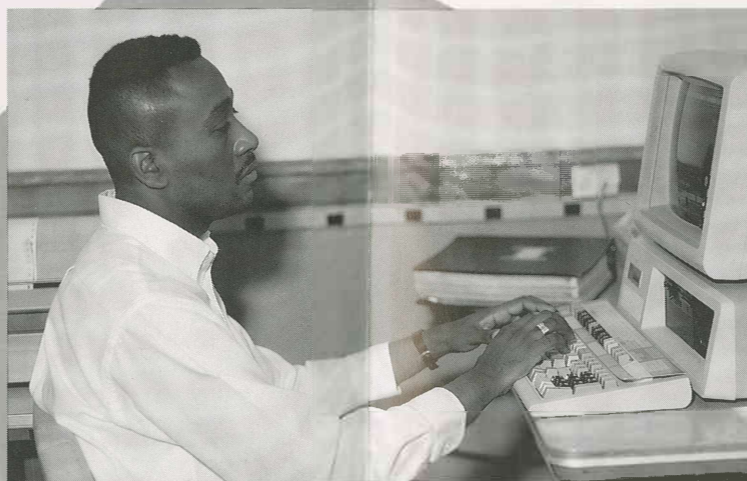
An applicant may request transfer credit for a maximum of six semester hours of graduate study in library/information studies. Graduate hours may be transferred only from a school of library/information studies whose program is accredited by the American Library Association. Those who have earned a master's or higher degree may request a reduction of not more than six hours in the 36 hours required for the Master of Science in Library Service degree.

Students may take courses for enrichment, transfer or certification and may be admitted on a non-degree basis. Juniors or seniors in undergraduate colleges within the Atlanta University Center may enroll in 400 level courses with the approval of the Dean of their undergraduate college.

- 2) Three recommendations, including references from former professors or employers giving evidence of the applicant's potential for successfully pursuing graduate studies and a career in the library/information profession.
- 3) A minimum cumulative undergraduate grade point average of 2.50 on a 4.00 scale. For applicants with grade point averages below 2.50, consideration for admission may be given if there is a higher GPA in the undergraduate major, if there is a higher GPA in graduate study, or to those with library/information related occupational experience.
- 4) The results of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) for foreign students.
- 5) An interview with the student may be requested by the School.

The undergraduate majors and current professional positions of a number of recent graduates reflect the diversity of our Graduate Studies Program:

Major	Present Employment
English	Reference Librarian Cable News Network Atlanta, GA
English	Reference Librarian Time Inc. New York, NY
Arabic	Reference Librarian/Records Analyst U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IV Records Center Atlanta, GA
Radio/TV	Reference Librarian Price Gilbert Memorial Library Georgia Institute of Technology Atlanta, GA
Business	Director Petersburg Public Library Petersburg, VA
Social Science	Librarian Central Intelligence Agency McLean, VA
American Studies	Head of the Bibliographic Search Unit, Selection and Acquisition Section National Library of Medicine Bethesda, MD
Chemistry	Technical Information Specialist Centers for Disease Control Atlanta, GA



COURSE OF STUDY

The course of study in the School consists of four components:

- foundation courses, which are broadly cultural and informational
- materials courses
- library administration courses
- courses dealing with library techniques

The completion of 36 semester hours of graduate study is required for the Master of Science in Library Service degree. Students may select one of four areas of specialization: academic, public, school, and special library service.

All students are required to take 12 semester hours of required core courses to assure the acquisition of knowledge and the development of competencies which are common to all types of libraries.

The basic core courses are:

- SLIS 410 Introduction to the Library/Information Profession
- SLIS 420 Collection Development
- SLIS 430 Introduction to Technical Services

SLIS 440 Introduction to Information Resources

In addition to the core requirements listed above, students are required to take one of the following administration courses:

- SLIS 461 Academic Library Administration
- SLIS 462 Public Library Administration
- SLIS 463 School Media Center Administration
- SLIS 464 Special Library Administration

Each student is also required to complete one of the courses offered in automation or computer science:

- SLIS 570 Introduction to Computer Science
- SLIS 571 Library Automation
- SLIS 641 Computerized Access to Information Resources



*Estimated Annual Expenses
(Based on 24 Semester Hours)*

Tuition	\$ 6,240*
Fees	\$ 280*
Room & Board	\$ 3,470**
Books & Supplies . .	\$ 500
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Total	\$10,490

*Tuition and fees subject to change without written notice.

**Living expenses vary depending upon whether the student purchases a meal plan, lives in University housing (estimated above) or private housing.

Other financial assistance is available through the University's Office of Financial Aid. Financial support from this office is usually in the form of loans or work study employment, and eligibility is based on financial need. To apply for assistance, a financial aid application, income tax forms, financial aid transcript, and Financial Aid Form (FAF) are required.

For more information, call our Office of Graduate Financial Aid, 1-800-688-4243.

OUR CHALLENGE TO YOU

As you approach the 21st century, one thing is certain. You represent the emerging leadership in a new global and technological society—a society that will require the services of competent and brilliant leaders in the areas of government, industry and education. Your preparation and training will determine to what degree you will be an active participant in a technologically sophisticated world.

How, then, can you prepare yourself for these challenges?

Consider Clark Atlanta—
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