



Master of Library and Information Science Essay Guidelines

Applicants for the MLIS degree must provide this Statement in Addition to the Graduate Application.

Full Name (as it appears on application): _____

VSU Applicant ID# (beginning with '870') or Last 4-digits of Social: _____

Essay (not to exceed four word-processed pages.) Attach to your application an essay concerning your career objectives and personal qualifications. In preparing the essay, the following are to be considered:

- What are your career objectives and professional goals? (Indicate both immediate and long-range objectives.)
- What factors influenced your decision to seek professional graduate LIS (library and information science) education?
- How has your personal background affected your ability to work with people?
- How has your academic and/or work experience affected your preparation for professional graduate LIS education?
- What strengths do you believe you possess that prepare you for graduate LIS education?
- Describe a situation in which you assisted a customer, patron, or other individual.
- Are there patron or user groups that are of special interest to you at this time?
If so, which? _____

Attach a résumé to your application.