

**University of South Carolina
School of Library and Information Science
Bachelor of Science in Information Science: Strategic Map 2010-2014**

Mission: The mission of the Bachelor of Science in Information Science (BSIS) degree at the University of South Carolina is to provide students with opportunities to acquire foundation and specialized knowledge in the field of information science, as well as essential core skills for **career development, professional development, and life-long learning.**

Vision:

To be a leader in the field of Information Science promoting and employing diverse strategies in education, research, and outreach.

<u>Student Goal 1:</u> People	<u>Student Goal 2:</u> Knowledge and Skills	<u>Student Goal 3:</u> Technology
To enable the student to perform effectively in the information science field by demonstrating comprehension of the cultural, historical, economic, and social values of information and information tools for individuals, organizations, and the society at large. Students will be prepared to evaluate the role of information for a variety of users, in a variety of industries, in different organizational settings, and for different purposes.	To enable the student to perform effectively in the information science field by demonstrating practical skills for analyzing, processing and managing information and developing and managing the underlying information systems in our knowledge-based society. These skills include problem solving and decision-making so that they will be able to both develop and utilize information systems and information tools effectively, thus establishing their leadership in our evolving information economy.	To enable the student to perform effectively in the information science field by demonstrating an understanding of the many ways in which information can be created, stored, organized, transformed, and communicated in order to benefit individuals, organizations, and society.
1-A Students will demonstrate an understanding of the historical influences of the role of information in society, the valuable role of information and information technology in society, and the diversity of needs and uses for information.	2-A Students will describe the techniques and principles for creating, storing, organizing, transforming, and communicating information to various information seekers.	3-A Students will demonstrate practical skills of information science and the use of information systems.
1-B Students will demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between information and its users.	2-B Students will demonstrate knowledge of the tenets of information literacy.	3-B Students will demonstrate program design and development as well as various databases and the use and maintenance of existing and evolving technology and their uses with information.
	2-C Students will demonstrate understanding of how to conduct and use academic research in the field of Information Science.	

Program Goal 1:

People

To effectively market the core mission of the program to prospective students and other constituencies. To be a leader in the field of information science through collaboration with key university and external partners and stakeholders.

Program Goal 2:

Knowledge and Skills

To provide students with “real world” experiences by offering and encouraging internships and other professional activities.

Program Goal 3:

Technology

To adapt and use existing technology to deliver and enhance the program.