

School of Information Studies Outcomes and Achievement Summary Fall 2019 Update

Student Retention and Time to Degree Completion

Annually, an average of 78 **new** students enroll in the MLIS program each year. On average, **59**% of MLIS students enroll part-time and **41**% of MLIS students enroll full-time in the program.

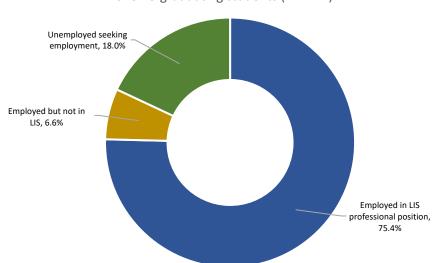
The SOIS MLIS program boasts excellent retention to completion statistics. Of all students who begin the MLIS program, **82**% are retained to graduation and achieve the degree. The average time to complete the MLIS is **2.6 years**.

Source: Dominican University Office of Institutional Effectiveness 2019

Employment Outcomes of Program Graduates

SOIS students achieve excellent career outcomes upon completion of their Dominican University experience. Employers rate SOIS graduates highly across key competencies in the field and in their demonstration of our program student learning goals and outcomes.

Three out of four (75.4%, n = 122) graduating students have secured employment in the LIS field immediately upon graduation. One year later, employment rates reach 89% in the LIS field, with only 6.8% unemployed and 3.7% working in other fields. A list of employers of recent graduates follows. Employers rate SOIS graduates highly, as illustrated in the graphs below.



Employment status upon program completion: 2018-19 graduating students (n = 122)

Source: Annual Dominican University Graduating Student Survey: 2018-19 Graduates

Organizations employing SOIS 2015 – 2019 graduates

Source: Annual Dominican University Alumni (1-year post graduation) Survey 2015 – 2019 data

Addison Public Library Advanced Resources

Al-Haram Al-Maki Al Shareef

Library

Allied Benefit Systems

Alsip Marrionette Park Public

Library

American Academy of Orthopedic

Surgeons

American Library Association American Veterinary Medical

Association

Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's

Hospital

Archdiocese of Chicago Aurora Public Library Austin Community College Backstage Library Works Barbara's Bookstore Batavia Public Library Billings Public Schools Bozeman Public Library British International School of

Chicago

Carol Stream Public Library Central Piedmont Community

College

Center for Research Libraries Chicago Botanic Garden Chicago Public Library Chicago Public Media Chicago Public Schools Christian Church of Clarendon

Hills

City of Springfield, IL Columbia College Chicago Concordia University

Cook Memorial Public Library

District

Crafton Public Library District 215

District GCAM
Dominican University
Doody Enterprises, Inc.
Downers Grove Public Library
Eisenhower Public Library
Ela Area Public Library

Elk Grove Village Public Library

Elmhurst College

Elmwood Park Public Library Erie County Public Library Evanston Public Library Evanston Township High School

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Fox River Valley Public Library

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Frances Xavier Warde School Franklin Park Public Library Fremont Public Library District Frost Elementary CCSD 21

Gail Borden Public Library District

Glen Ellyn Public Library Glencoe Public Library Glenview Public Library Grande Prairie Public Library

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H.W. Lochner, Inc. Harvard Diggins Library

Hillsdale College

Hinsdale Public Library

History Works

Hitchcock Design Group Homewood Public Library Hudson Public Library Indian Prairie Public Library Indian Trails Public Library Itasca Community Library Junior Library Guild Kenosha Public Library

La Grange Park Public Library LaGrange Public Library

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MacArthur Foundation

Maternity BVM

Maywood Public Library McDonald's Corporation Medford School District Megan Lee Designs

Melrose Park Public Library Meridian Middle School Midwestern University Monroe County Community

College

Morton College

Mountain View Whisman School

District

Naperville Public Library National Park Service

Network Ninja

Neuqua Valley High School New Lenox Public Library

Newberry Library

Northbrook Public Library

Northwest Quality Logo Products

Northwestern University

Northwestern University Libraries

and Press

Oak Park Elementary School

District #97

Oak Park Public Library

Oakwood Public Library District

Palatine Public Library Park Ridge Public Library Pennoyer Elementary School Pierce & Associates, P.C. Prairie State College

Pritzker Military Library and

Museum

Public School System Quality Logo Products

Regina Dominican High School River Forest Public Library Robert Morris University Roselle Public Library District

RPX Corp

Sacred Heart schools Saline County Library

Schaumburg Township District

Library

School District 13 School District 46 School District 91 Skokie Public Library St Luke Parish School State law library of Montana Sugar Grove Public Library

UChicago Creative
Underwriters Laboratories

United Airlines University of Chicago University of Delaware US Naval Academy Village of Skokie

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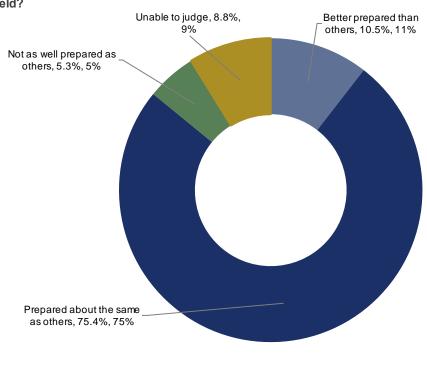
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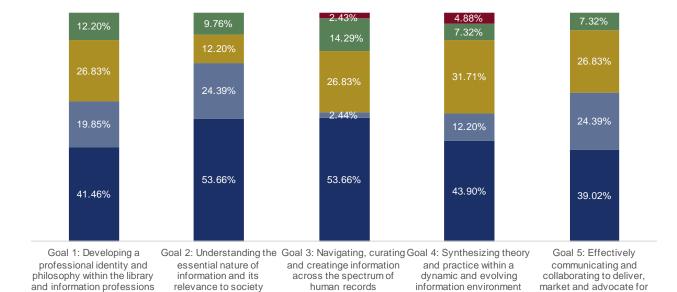
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Yaskawa America, Inc.

Employers rate the preparation and contribution of the MLIS graduates highly, as illustrated by the graph below.







■ Very competent ■ Extremely competent ■ Slightly competent ■ Can't judge ■ Not at all competent

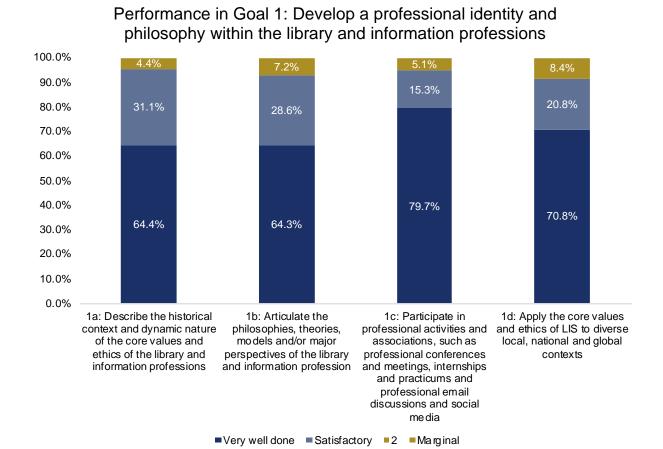
Source: SOIS Biennal Employer Survey 2017-18

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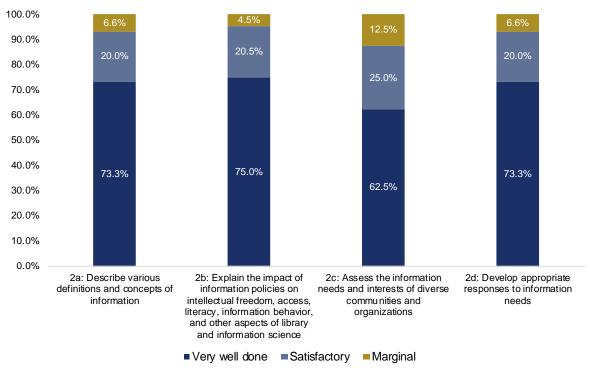
Student Achievement and Satisfaction Data

Student achievement throughout the MLIS program is assessed through a variety of course-embedded assessments that align to the stated learning outcomes of each course. In the comprehensive e-Portfolio, students reflect upon and demonstrate mastery of the program's learning goals and outcomes as a culminating assessment project.

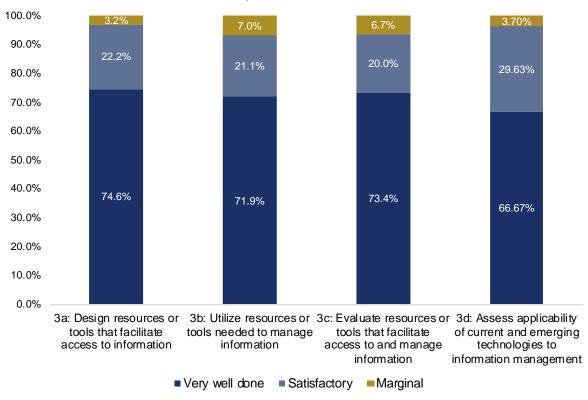
The following graphs illustrate the MLIS 2018-19 graduates' e-portfolio achievement across the five student learning goals and their corresponding outcomes.



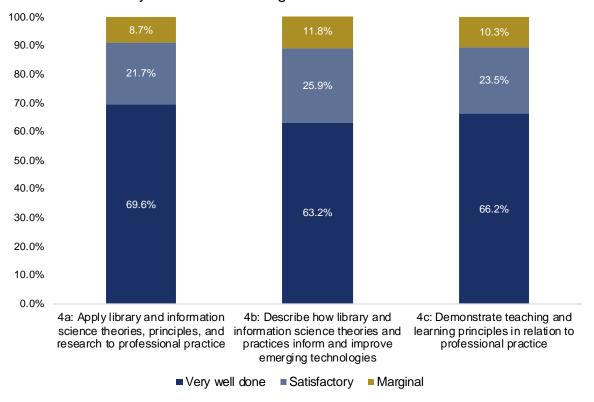
Performance across Goal 2: Understand the essential nature of information and its relevance to society



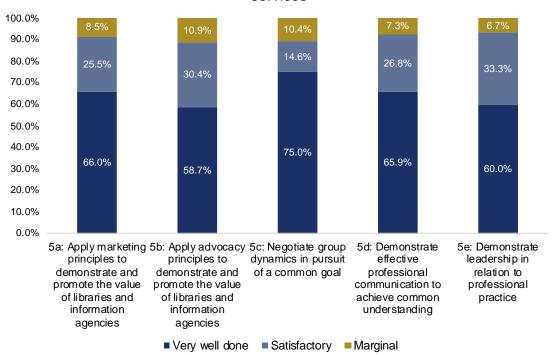
Performance in Goal 3: Navigate, curate and create information across the spectrum of human records



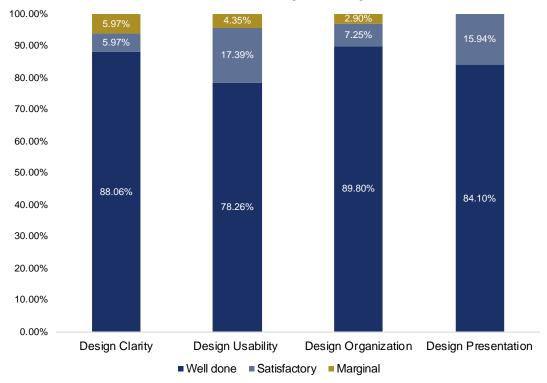
Performance in Goal 4: Synthesize theory and practice within a dynamic and evolving information environment



Performance in Goal 5: Effectively communicate and collaborate to deliver, market and advocate for library and information services



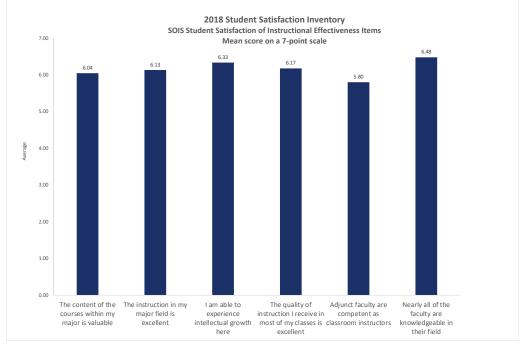
Performance on e-Portfolio Design and Organization Criteria

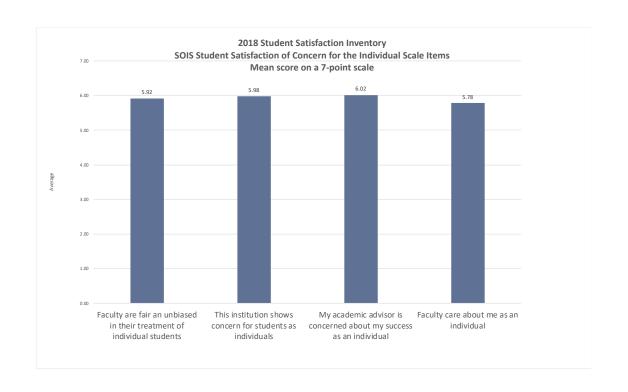


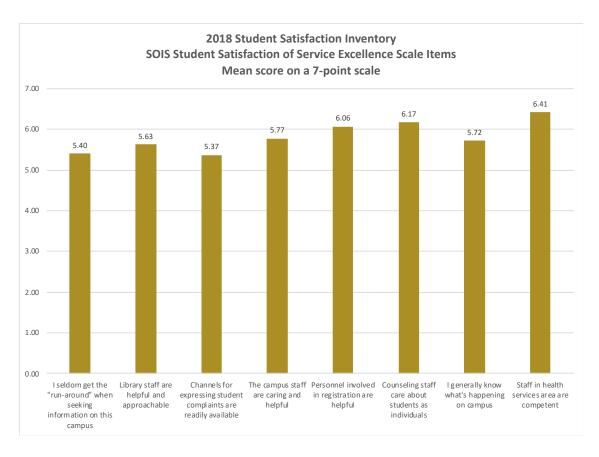
Source: e-portfolio rubric data, Fall 18, Spring 19 and Summer 19 semesters

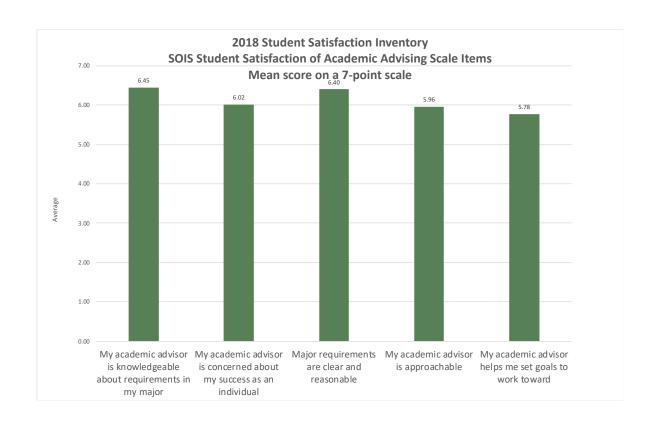
SOIS students report high levels of satisfaction with the program and campus services as a whole. The following charts indicate the average satisfaction rating by SOIS students on the biennial Student Satisfaction Inventory. As seen in this data, no ratings are below a "5" on the 7-point scale, indicating high levels of satisfaction. This survey is administered every 3











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