Library and Information Studies

Our ranking is based on a 2005 survey of deans, program directors, and senior faculty members at 50 schools with accredited master’s programs.

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<th>Rank</th>
<th>School</th>
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The institutions below received the most nominations from survey respondents at peer institutions for their excellence in a given specialty.

**Archives and Preservation**
1. University of Texas–Austin
2. Univ. of Maryland–College Park
3. University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
4. University of Pittsburgh
5. Univ. of California–Los Angeles
6. Simmons College (MA)
7. UNC–Chapel Hill
8. University of Wisconsin–Madison
9. SUNY–Albany

**Digital Librarianship**
1. U. of Illinois–Urbana-Champaign
2. Syracuse University (NY)
3. University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
4. UNC–Chapel Hill
5. University of Washington
6. Drexel University (PA)
7. Rutgers St. U.–New Brunswick (NJ)
8. Indiana University–Bloomington
9. Univ. of California–Los Angeles
10. University of Pittsburgh

**Health Librarianship**
1. University of Pittsburgh
2. UNC–Chapel Hill
3. University of North Texas University of Washington
4. Texas Woman’s University
5. Univ. of Maryland–College Park
6. University of Missouri–Columbia
7. Syracuse University (NY)
8. U. of Illinois–Urbana-Champaign
9. Univ. of South Carolina–Columbia

**Information Systems**
1. Syracuse University (NY)
2. University of Michigan–Ann Arbor
3. University of Washington

Methodology: The library and information studies program rankings are based solely on the results of a peer assessment survey. Respondents were asked to rate the academic quality of programs on a scale of 1 (marginal) to 5 (outstanding). Scores for each school were totaled and divided by the number of respondents who rated that school. The response rate was 51 percent. Surveys were conducted by Synovate in the fall of 2005.