Tech Prep Courses: Feedback Study for Improving Design

5 courses designed to provide basic technology skills in preparation for advanced courses:

INFX 501: Concepts in Algorithmic Thinking for Information Professionals **INFX 502:** Database Concepts for Information Professionals **INFX 503:** Website Design Concepts for Information Professionals **INFX 504:** Networking and Network **Applications for Information Professionals INFX 505:** Project Management Basics for Information Professionals

learning INFX 501 Problem

Do I have the required skills for the class I want?

I feel I'm in between introductory and advanced level but I can't find the right courses

Which prep course should I take?

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I can't see how these courses connect to each other

Information School UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON



iSchool:

Master's level students

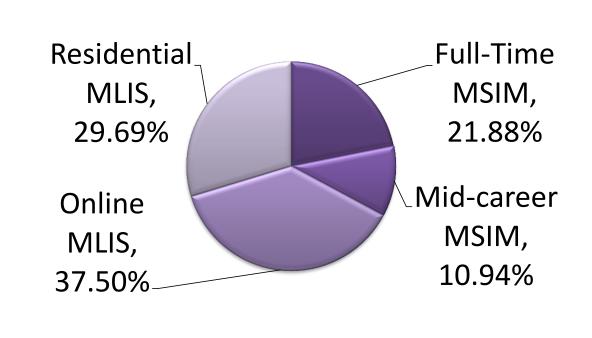
- MSIM (Full-time & midcareer)
- MLIS (residential & online)
- Advanced IT course faculty

Benchmark:

Top 10 Information Schools in the US

Survey research:

3 questionnaires 35.36% student survey answer rate



Frequency analysis and Chi Square test





Create a tech skill self-assessment tool for students Provide detailed information about tech prep courses Show tech prep and follow on course correlation Add programming languages to tech prep courses

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Content in relation to:

- Students' needs
- Advanced courses
- Credit number
- Grading system \bullet
- Delivery mode (residential, blended, online)
- Skill assessment
- Visibility of pre-requisite requirements

students information career available Result

I made informed decisions, took the right classes. I'm confident and ready for life after graduation!





