

**VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY
MASTER OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE**

**MLIS 7000 Foundations of Library and Information Science
Syllabus--Fall Semester 2002**

Instructor

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Class Meetings

Macon State College.

Building E, University System Graduate Center, Room 101

August 24/25, September 28/29, October 26/27, and November 23/24.

Saturdays, 10:00-5:00 (one hour lunch)

Sundays, 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. (30 min. lunch)

Textbook

Rubin, Richard E. *Foundations of Library and Information Science*. New York : Neal-Schuman Publishers, c2000.

Course Description

3 credits. An introduction to the library and information science field, its history, and future directions. The focus is on the history, concepts, and technological development of the discipline. Students will gain familiarity with library and information theory, the discipline and sub-disciplines within the information sciences, and ethical practices and standards.

Course Prerequisite: None

Course Requirements

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| 1. Class contributions | 20% |
| 2. Paper | 10% |
| 3. Poster | 10% |
| 4. Journals assignment | 10% |
| 5. Tour report | 5% |
| 6. Tour presentation | 5% |
| 7. Midterm | 20% |
| 8. Final | 20% |

Evaluation

Grades:

Exceptionally exceeds minimum standards: 90-100%	A
Exceeds minimum standards: 80-89%	B
Meets minimum standards: 70-79%	C
Barely meets minimum standards: 60-69%	D
Fails to meet minimum standards: below 60%	F

Academic Dishonesty

“Valdosta State University expects that graduate students will pursue their academic endeavors and conduct themselves in a professional and ethical manner. All work that a student presents to satisfy course requirements should represent his or her own efforts, including appropriate use and acknowledgement of external sources. Specific regulations related to student conduct and behavior are contained in the *Student Handbook, Student Code of Ethics*.

Special Needs Statement

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Attendance Policy

This is a face-to-face class. In-class participation is integral to the course design. Therefore, it is expected that students will make consistent, contributive attendance a high priority. If you are compelled to be absent, you remain responsible for all activities and material missed. If you miss a graded activity, you will lose all points for that activity unless you can negotiate a mutually acceptable alternative with the instructor. **A student who is absent for more than eight hours of convened class time (for any reason) will be subject to a reduction of one letter in the final course grade.**

Textbook Reading Assignments

For September 28: through p. 138
For October 26: pp. 139-264
For November 23: pp. 265-395