



COLLEGE OF INFORMATION

Supplemental Application Instructions: INFM application

For your supplementary application, please respond to five short answer questions. Each prompt should be answered in **150 words maximum**. Your responses to these questions should all be on one PDF upload, but you must answer each question separately, not as one single essay. Please adhere to the word count. Reviewers look for applicants who:

- Demonstrate data awareness or an understanding of the information management profession;
- Demonstrate characteristics of adaptability, creativity, resiliency, originality and collaboration;
- Clearly communicate their ideas, interests, and career goals;
- Are comfortable with or eager to learn new technologies.

Question 1: Describe a situation where you discovered a critical dependency on data that you needed to address. What was the situation, how was it addressed, and what was your role?

Question 2: Having reviewed the MIM objectives and curriculum, describe an issue you are passionate about and how a MIM degree can help you solve it.

Question 3: Review the following three scenarios. Choose one and respond.

- *Option 1:* You're given a dataset of photographs to train a facial recognition algorithm. You notice that the dataset is not representative of the demographics of the country you are working in. What do you do?
- *Option 2:* You're working on research on how the open-source community can improve the security of their software products. Your supervisor thinks you should purposefully contribute vulnerabilities to the open-source product to see if they get through the review process. What do you do?
- *Option 3:* You're creating a new mobile application for your employer. Your boss asks you to make sure it collects location data in the background, so that you can learn more about where your customers spend their time. What do you do?

Question 4: Imagine that you're in the middle of your first semester in MIM, and applying for an information management internship at a top company in your field. Explain to the hiring manager what you're learning in the program and how such learning will contribute to their organization.

Question 5: In most information management environments, organizations rely on teamwork and collaboration to ensure high quality outcomes. Describe a situation where you worked collaboratively on a team to achieve great results.