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The MARA curriculum at the San José State University School of Information will give you a solid foundation in the theory and practice of archives, records and information management and will prepare you for the Certified Records Manager and Certified Archivist examinations. You’ll also gain real-world experience and expand your professional network by completing an organizational consulting project or an internship as part of your course work.

Along the way, you’ll connect with our engaging community of award-winning SJSU iSchool faculty members, future information professionals and alumni from around the globe.

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• 42 units to earn your degree
• CRA and CRM Examination Credit
• E-portfolio for culminating experience

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Eileen Hansen, ’16 MARA

“I would absolutely recommend this program. It offers a lot of skills that will be useful for any practitioner in records management or archives. And having the ability to apply the skills right away is a big win.”

Edward Sumcad, ’18 MARA
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iSchool Alumni at Work

Robert McLauchlin ’11 MARA

Robert is the director of records management for a large law firm in Calgary, Alberta. His typical day is to associate various data classifications within the firm, as well as maintain the records retention schedule. He affirmed his expertise by passing ARMA’s Information Governance Professional exam.

Ossie Thomas ’16 MARA

Ossie works at International Paper Company’s corporate office in Memphis, Tennessee as a records and information management team leader. She’s responsible for managing company-wide compliance processes for their global records management program. She became a Certified Records Analyst in 2017.
4 Outstanding Faculty

SJSU iSchool faculty members are award-winning scholars and leaders from around the world. Many are also currently working in the field and hold Certified Archivist, Certified Records Manager, and Information Governance Professional credentials, bringing a practical perspective to their courses.

5 Virtual Internship Opportunities

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• A bachelor’s degree from any regionally accredited institution in any discipline with a GPA of at least 3.0 at the bachelor’s degree institution or in the last 60 semester or 90 quarter units
• A general understanding of computers and technology
• Access to a computer with Internet connection and appropriate software
• International applicants must have a TOEFL score of 600 (paper version), 250 (computer version), or 100 (Internet-based); or an IELTS score of 8

Note: We do not require a GMAT or GRE test, letters of recommendation, a statement of purpose, or a résumé.

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1. Fill out the online application form at ischool.sjsu.edu/mara-admissions
2. Pay the $55 application fee
3. Send your transcripts

Tuition:
Fees for the MARA program are $474 per unit, with a total cost of $19,908 for the degree (42 units). Fees are subject to review and change. Scholarships, paid student assistant positions and financial aid may be available.

Accreditation:
San José State University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

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