ALM in Information Management Systems

HARVARD Extension School

38 AVERAGE AGE
21% < 30
32% 31 - 40
47% 41+

AGE BREAKDOWN

200 DEGREE CANDIDATES

WHILE EARNING THE DEGREE
20% Live in MA
71% Live Outside of MA
9% Live Outside of U.S.

85% OF STUDENTS ARE EMPLOYED FULL-TIME WHILE EARNING THE DEGREE

Female: 21%
Male: 79%

BENEFITS OF BEING A DEGREE CANDIDATE
- Personal academic advising & pre-degree advising
- Career resources and individual career counseling through Harvard’s Office of Career Services
- Paid research opportunities alongside Harvard faculty
- Earn a graduate certificate while earning the degree

REASONS FOR PURSUING DEGREE
8% Career Change
10% Personal Enrichment
40% Career Advancement
42% Deepen Expertise

YEARS OF STUDENTS FULL-TIME WORK EXPERIENCE
- 4 years & under......11%
- 5-10 years............25%
- 11-20 years..........41%
- Over 20 years.......23%

86% OF STUDENTS HAVE PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS GRADUATE CERTIFICATES
- Back End Web Development
- Cybersecurity
- Data Analytics
- Web Technologies

AVG # OF COURSES TAKEN PER SEMESTER
- 1 Course: 19%
- 2 Courses: 78%
- 3 Courses: 3%

88% GRADUATION RATE

96% Of Recent Grads Would Recommend the Program

4 YEARS AVERAGE TIME TO GRADUATION

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WHERE SOME OF OUR GRADUATES WORK

IBM
Google
Lyft
Harvard Business School Online
COMCAST
PHILIPS
Adobe
NASDAQ

SELECT JOB TITLES HELD BY OUR GRADUATES

Application Developer
Cyber Security Consultant
Director of Software Engineering
IT Manager
DevOps Engineer
Salesforce Architect
Lead Software Developer
Principal Data Scientist
Quality Assurance Engineer

GRADUATES HAVE GONE ON TO WORK IN THE FIELDS OF...

• Defense and aerospace
• Health care
• IT services
• Management consulting
• Financial services
• Higher education
• Law

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Job title prior to HES:

Current job title:

How has earning a degree from HES helped you professionally?

Did you earn a graduate certificate?

Most helpful resource at HES:

Advice for prospective or current degree candidates:

Meet ALM in Information Management Systems Graduate, Matthew Bullen.

JavaScript Developer. I worked as a junior app developer for the Skechers shoe company corporate office building the tooling used to manage a variety of internal financial processes.

Chief Technology Officer (CTO). I’m the CTO of a travel and vacation database startup company, Sandee, and the Director of Technology of its umbrella private investment firm, JUMP Investors.

The HES degree has helped me professionally in a multitude of ways. Aside from significantly expanding the breadth of technical subjects I am comfortable working with, it paved the way to advance from a junior individual contributor role on a programming team into a team lead and then a management role. That management experience was the catalyst to later move into an executive role at my current company.

I earned the cybersecurity graduate certificate.

HES has many resources to offer students. I found access to the course instructors and teaching fellows to be invaluable. Some of the subjects covered in the IMS track can be quite complex, and when I had questions or needed guidance, the instructors and teaching staff were always readily available and generous with their time in providing help with the subject matter.

I would encourage prospective candidates to do a realistic self-evaluation of the time they’ll have to invest in their degree track and their personal time management preparedness. Completing an HES degree is a several year commitment that is very doable as long as you stayed organized and focused over the long haul.

For more information on career highlights, visit our Career and Academic Resource Center (CARC) at carc.extension.harvard.edu

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