

SUCCESS HAS A LOT TO DO WITH HOW CONFIDENT YOU FEEL ABOUT YOURSELF. MY EXPERIENCE HERE HAS INCREASED MY CONFIDENCE IMMEASURABLY. WORKING WITH BRILLIANT PROFESSORS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS BOTH IN AND OUT OF CLASS CAN HAVE THAT EFFECT ON YOU. **I'VE NEVER BEEN MORE READY FOR SUCCESS**.

The School of Communications and Information Systems

FOUNDATIONS **FOR SUCCESS.**



ON THE COVER:

"I'm a project manager at Mellon Financial Services. This program is really geared toward working professionals. I have a very busy job, so I schedule my school work on evenings and weekends. I'm already getting a payback at work. I was recently promoted out of a technical position to a position that involves strategy development. Now I'm working on the big picture to solve problems at the macro level."

Cara Hoehn,
D.Sc. in Communications and Information Systems Student,
Mellon Financial Services

ADVANCED DEGREES **THAT DELIVER.**

A graduate degree from Robert Morris University will expand your employment options and give you more control over your future. Here, you will have the opportunity to build relationships with faculty, fellow students and local business leaders that will follow you throughout your career.

Collaborative

As a Robert Morris graduate student, you won't be going it alone. You will be surrounded by other motivated students who help to create an exciting, stimulating learning environment. Every class is energized by students from a wide variety of backgrounds, professions and cultures. You will learn from your peers, and participate in a lively intellectual exchange of knowledge and ideas that will enhance your learning experience and expand your understanding and modes of thinking.

Flexible

RMU's graduate programs are available whenever you are. Our course offerings allow you to work your class schedule around a busy professional and personal life. We offer evening and Saturday classes in eight-week, accelerated sessions.

Attending part time, you can complete a master's degree in about two and a half years, while being able to concentrate on one course at a time.

We're also wherever you are, with courses at our main campus in Moon Township, our Center for Adult and Continuing Education in downtown Pittsburgh, and several satellite locations.

Practical

Across the six schools at RMU the faculty offer 18 graduate degree programs. Each program deals with a specific set of issues in a focused way that invites critical thinking and encourages strong, effective communication. RMU faculty members have actual work experience in the areas they teach – and a point of view that combines the practical with the theoretical. You'll receive a hands-on education from business and industry professionals, allowing you to immediately apply what you learn.

Successful

An advanced degree can accelerate your career. And the right support can have a positive impact as you work toward earning your degree. At RMU, you'll have a faculty advisor who will help you chart a career path, develop milestones and strategies, and make the right professional choices. Additionally, RMU's annual Career Expo is the region's largest job fair for current students and alumni. As a result of this aggressive, ongoing approach to career placement, graduates of our master's degree programs have a placement rate of 95 percent.







MS & DSc

DISCOVER A DEGREE OF SUCCESS IN THE SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS.

Doctor of Science (D.Sc.)
- Information Systems and Communications

Master of Science (M.S.)
- Communications and Information Systems
- Competitive Intelligence Systems
- IT Project Management
- Information Security and Assurance
- Information Systems Management
- Internet Information Systems

The School of Communications and Information Systems at Robert Morris University offers advanced, in-demand degrees that provide you with knowledge you can put to work immediately. If you are a professional seeking to maximize your abilities and your position in the marketplace, we can assist you with our internationally recognized faculty, innovative curriculum and network of successful graduates.

Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) in Information Systems and Communications

Developed to be a premier degree for professionals who manage information in the Information Age, this program focuses on the critical need to manage information resources; creatively solve information, communication and technology-related problems; and prepare students in fields related to the applications of information systems and communications.

This three-year, executive-level program utilizes an extremely effective cohort system that enables you to team together with some of the best minds in the business. This stimulating intellectual environment will help you to enhance your professional capabilities with decision-making strategies and techniques in communications, information systems and technology.

Instead of a purely abstract approach, you'll develop practical leadership and advanced problem-solving skills from extraordinary instructors with real-world experience. You will be able to complete your doctorate in just three years, while still working full time.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Communications and Information Systems

If you are seeking to make the transition from "talented, but technical" to "big-picture performer," then you should consider the Master of Science (M.S.) in Communications and Information Systems degree program. This 36-credit program











was developed especially for working professionals who want to build on their strong systems and technical backgrounds, as well as those with strengths and experience in corporate communications, media production, training, management and other areas.

Structured for the busy, working professional, the program allows you to complete your degree in approximately two and a half years, while you continue to work full-time. The program will help you gain the knowledge and hands-on strategies you'll need for advanced problem-solving in areas related to communication and information analysis, design, implementation, maintenance and evaluation; primarily in business and professional contexts. You may focus your studies in areas of specialization that interest you most, including information systems, multimedia, information design, business and professional communication, training and development, to name a few.

Upon completion of your degree, you will be thoroughly prepared for top communications and information management positions in corporations, businesses, organizations and education.



"Our doctorate degree program can be a life-changing experience for many people. First, they are surrounded by other very smart people in a way they don't experience at their jobs. They begin to collaborate with one another. This is not like other doctoral programs where you are off on your own. One high-ranking executive told me how his experience here completely changed his view of himself. His level of confidence was boosted by being able to collaborate with his peers."

Jeanne M. Baugh, Ed.D., Associate Professor of Computer and Information Systems

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"The best thing for me about this program is it is very unobtrusive. I can still do my job. I only have to take a week off during the summer and a week off during the winter. And I can still do everything I need to do at work. If I went to most any other doctoral program, I would have to be there all day, every day. And there is no way to survive. I have a large family with seven kids. I couldn't afford to do this any other way."

Danny Barnes,
D.Sc. in Information Systems and Communications Student,
President and Managing Principal,
Absolute Veritable Solutions



IT SEEMS NEARLY EVERYTHING TODAY REVOLVES AROUND **COMMUNICATIONS OR INFORMATION**.







More Ways to Advance Your Career in Information Systems

Robert Morris University offers you more ways to enhance or change your career with advanced degrees in virtually every facet of this important and growing field.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Competitive Intelligence Systems

This program will prepare you to become a successful competitive intelligence professional in today's global business economy. You'll learn how to garner a competitive advantage for your employer by taking the concepts of systems analysis and information systems management, and extending them to the tools, concepts and processes used to collect, analyze and store information. The result is a unique ability to support organizational decisions from external information sources.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Information Security and Assurance

This degree prepares you to become a highly skilled information technology professional, trained to recognize and combat information systems threats and vulnerabilities. The degree cultivates an appropriate knowledge of computer security, enhancing your ability to design and develop systems that are engineered to be reliable and secure.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Information Systems Management

This degree program satisfies the national information systems (IS) standard. Its uniqueness is derived from the integration of organizational and technological perspectives; and you can specialize in career tracks including networking, e-commerce, multimedia, training and education, programming or project management. An internship that provides real-world experience may be used to supplement the area of specialization.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Internet Information Systems

The field of Internet information systems technology is expected to continue its rapid rate of growth. In turn, the need for professionals with technical expertise developing and managing information systems, managing large amounts of information and data, dealing with issues of security, and identifying and solving hardware, software and Internet problems continues to grow. This program will prepare you to outperform in this rapidly changing field.

Master of Science (M.S.) in Information Technology Project Management

IT projects are among the most complex of human undertakings. Yet almost all graduate programs in project management in the United States focus on scheduling and resource management for military and construction industry projects. RMU's degree program is the first and only one in the nation to focus specifically on IT project management. You'll gain expertise in guiding to completion the most complex information technology project. The program is especially suited to IT professionals and practitioners who work as mid-level (or higher) technical managers, and those who currently work as IT project managers.











"The key benefit to this program is independence. Students are free to drive their work in any direction they like – without interference from faculty. It is very much student-directed research. Faculty give what I call 'tempered guidance.' By that I mean we are available, but only if needed. Then we'll bend over backwards to help. But often it's not necessary. You know you've taught well when the student doesn't need you anymore. That's the idea after all, isn't it?"

Daniel R. Rota, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Computer and Information Systems



THE FACULTY NEVER STRAY FAR FROM THE REAL WORLD. THEY'RE PRACTICAL PROFESSORS. THEY'VE SEEN IT, DONE IT. AND IN MOST CASES, THEY'VE ALREADY BEEN WHERE I WANT TO GO. THEY POUR THEIR EXPERIENCE INTO EVERY CLASS.

ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY:
THE SCHOOL THAT SUCCESS BUILT.

How did Robert Morris grow from a small business school to a major regional university with more than 5,000 undergraduate and graduate students? Simple: The success of our graduates. We firmly believe that every time our graduates succeed, we succeed. Every success shows, once again, that Robert Morris University delivers an education that works in the real world.

Well-Connected

RMU schools and faculty maintain close ties with major corporations and key industry and nonprofit leaders through formal advisory boards and ongoing consulting relationships. Such alliances create a bridge between the classroom and the boardroom, linking applied knowledge, student readiness and employer satisfaction.

Industry insiders provide a sounding board and reality check, ensuring that our academic programs continue to serve real-world needs. We go the extra mile to keep graduate case studies, courses and programs timely and relevant.

RMU Grads Are Recognized and Welcomed

Western Pennsylvania's largest employers know RMU graduates and appreciate their exceptional qualifications. You'll find RMU graduate school alumni working at a wide array of companies and organizations:

- ALCOA
- Allegheny Intermediate Unit
- AT&T
- Bayer
- Chartiers Valley School District
- Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh
- CIGNA HealthCare
- Computer Associates International
- Del Monte Foods
- Deloitte Consulting
- Duquesne Light Company
- Eaton Corporation
- Ernst & Young
- Federated Investors
- Fisher Scientific
- GNC
- Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield
- Hopewell School District
- IBM
- Infinity Broadcasting Corporation
- MACTEC Engineering & Consulting
- Marconi Corporation plc
- Marsh Inc.
- Mellon Financial Corporation
- Michael Baker Corporation
- Morgan Stanley
- Mt. Lebanon School District
- PGT Trucking
- Pittsburgh Public Schools
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- Quest Diagnostics
- Reed Smith LLP
- Schroeder Industries LLC
- Sewickley Academy
- Siemens Medical Solutions
- Sony
- The PNC Financial Services Group
- UPMC
- United States Steel
- Westinghouse
- XEROX





YOUR FUTURE AND ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY **ARE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK.**

Time. Who has plenty to spare? That's why we offer more courses, on more days, and in more locations. We make it convenient, from start to finish, so that an advanced degree is always within easy reach for busy, working adults.

Main Campus

A suburban campus located on 230 acres in Moon Township, 17 miles from downtown Pittsburgh and 15 minutes from Pittsburgh International Airport.

Center for Adult and Continuing Education

Located in downtown Pittsburgh, just steps from the "T" and among the nation's seventh largest concentration of Fortune 500 corporate headquarters.

Satellite Locations

RMU offers graduate programs at a variety of offsite locations, including Cranberry Township. Visit www.rmu.edu for a current listing of these locations.



Admissions: We're Ready When You Are.

Students are considered for acceptance as soon as all application materials are received and evaluated. Applications, official transcripts, official test scores and letters of recommendation should be sent directly to the Graduate Enrollment Office.





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