



Knowledge River GOALS :

- Continue Diversity as a Major Goal for the School of Information, with Knowledge River as the flagship of this effort.
- Recruit an Annual Cohort of Knowledge River Scholars.
- Achieve Sustainability.
- Expand Diversity Curriculum Development.
- Increase Emphasis on Diverse Faculty and Diversity Research, including connections with relevant campus departments.
- Extend Focus on Library and Community Outreach, through service assistantships and other means.
- Increase Cultural Fluency among all School of Information Constituencies.
- Build upon the cohorts of previous graduates as support for Knowledge River students and to further the goals of Knowledge River.

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Educating culturally and linguistically sensitive library and information professionals to serve and represent Latino and Native American cultural communities.



University of Arizona School of Information

Knowledge River provides a unique perspective and educational opportunities for individuals interested in pursuing careers as librarians and information professionals with a strong interest in serving Latino and Native American communities. The program seeks to involve all University of Arizona School of Information students, faculty, and other constituencies in learning about and fostering library, information, and cultural heritage services to Latino and Native American cultural communities.

Special Package

Each year, Knowledge River selects a cohort of students to be Knowledge River Scholars and to have the opportunity to take advantage of the benefits of the program. Benefits may include:

- Financial Aid: Some KR Scholars will receive aid in the form of graduate assistantships to cover tuition, as well as financial support to cover program fees.
- Work Experience: KR Scholars who receive graduate assistantships have a unique opportunity to work part-time to gain real-world professional experience and a salary while obtaining a Master's of Arts degree in Library and Information Science.
- Cohort Support: KR Scholars have the benefit of entering the program with a ready group of peers, all working towards the same goal: to attain their graduate degree in Library and Information Science.
- Mentorship: KR Scholars will receive mentorship from librarians and information professionals working in the field.
- Professional Development: KR Scholars are provided with travel funds to assistance with expenses related to professional development events.
- Curriculum enhanced with Latino and Native American Cultural Perspectives.

What can I do with a Master of Arts degree in Library and Information Sciences from the University of Arizona?

The Knowledge River Program offers students the opportunity to develop distinct areas of expertise as librarians or information professionals, based on a sound professional education, enhanced by Latino and Native American cultural awareness. These skills are in demand in traditional libraries and archives, and in public institutions such as schools, museums, historical societies and government agencies.

Librarians and information professionals stand at the front line of information service in colleges and universities, corporate settings, and, of course, in schools and public libraries. As a Knowledge River graduate, you can help members of your community use information and technology to improve their lives. Or you can bring valuable cultural perspectives and diversity to settings outside Native American and Latino communities.

Am I eligible to be a Knowledge River Scholar? Knowledge River Scholars must be able to demonstrate their knowledge of, experience with, and sensitivity to at least one Native American or Latino group and must be accepted for admission into the School of Information graduate program. Students usually take 9 credit hours and work 20 hours a week as a Graduate Assistant. KR Scholars must be willing and able to be a part of the KR learning community. Applicants must indicate an aspiration to seek employment in a library or information environment upon graduation, and as an LIS professional and KR Alumnus, continue to consider the needs of diverse communities.



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