

## **Visual Information Science**

### **What Does This Course Cover?**

With the proliferation of visual information in our daily lives, the need to incorporate the studies of visual information and visual literacy into the curriculum is one of the most pressing tasks. Our efforts in the past have been focused on textual information. How about visual information at this visual information age? That is the challenge to all of us and our profession. This course will provide you with an exciting opportunity to examine visual information science issues.

### **Visual Information Science will cover the following topics:**

1. Study the nature of information in textual and visual forms.
2. Study the interdisciplinary nature of visual information science.
3. Study information and visual information and communications theories.
4. Understand and analyze needs and uses for both textual and visual information. User information seeking behavior for both textual and visual information.
5. Discuss information policy, intellectual property, and copyright for both textual and visual information.
6. Understand the theory and practice of information storage and retrieval systems for both textual and visual information.
7. Understand and study issues relating to user interface design.
8. Explore information technology for visual information science
9. Study research methods for textual and visual information.
10. Become familiar with important journals, books, and authors.