What can I do with a degree in Management Information Systems?

The information below describes typical occupations and employers associated with this major. Understand that some of the options listed below may require additional training. Moreover, you are not limited to these options alone when choosing a possible career path.

**DESCRIPTION OF MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS:**
An MIS major prepares students for a future as information systems professionals, innovators, and managers. The coursework choices also provide preparation for a variety of technical leadership positions. The program is interdisciplinary in nature with specialized training in information systems, information management, and information technology so that graduates can ultimately assume managerial positions and provide leadership in information systems innovation.

**POSSIBLE JOB TITLES OF MIS GRADUATES***:
Account Executive  
Accounting Systems Analyst  
Billing and Coding Supervisor  
Business Systems Analyst  
Client Server Support Analyst  
Computer Systems Engineer  
Consultant Customer Support  
Specialist Data Network Analyst  
Interface Designers  
IT Auditor Associate  
LAN Site Manager Logistics  
Network Administrator  
Project Managers Revenue  
Management Analyst  
Risk Management Associate  
Software Developers  
Software Engineer  
Systems Analyst  
Systems Programmer  
Technical Consultant  
Technology Analyst  
Web Developer*  
* Many of these occupations may require graduate degrees.

**SAMPLE WORK SETTINGS**:
Network Administration  
Database Administration  
Web Administration  
Systems Development  
Technical Support  
Consulting  
Education/ Training

**SKILL SETS AND INTERESTS ASSOCIATED WITH MIS MAJORS**:
Problem solving  
Logical thinking  
Critical reasoning  
Analytical skills  
Accuracy  
Attention to detail  
Troubleshooting  
Training/teaching skills  
Precision  
Decision making skills  
Ability to work well under pressure  
Communication skills  
Organizational skills  
Leadership  
Excellent "people" skills  
Technical proficiency  
Knowledge of computer concepts  
Knowledge of technical limitations  
Good interpretation skills

**WAYS TO GAIN EXPERIENCE AND STRENGTHEN YOUR RESUME**:
- Professionals in this industry are excellent communicators who manage time efficiently. They are detail- and big picture-oriented.
- Expect to work extended and/or irregular hours at times and to be "on call."
- Prepare to learn new information on a regular basis through online discussions, classes, conferences, periodicals and update your skills accordingly.
- Certifications may be necessary for some technical careers. Obtain the certifications that are the most applicable to career goals and interests.
- Gain as much diverse technical experience as possible. Seek positions in computer labs, retail computer/technology stores or as technological support for any office or business.
- Investigate technology in additional areas such as audio/visual or telecommunications. Become familiar with the integration and application of these areas to management information systems.
- Develop physical stamina and strength. Many networking professionals are involved in hands-on, physical activity during network installation and maintenance.
- Specialize in a specific area of business or industry and become familiar with the applicable software and hardware. Earn a minor in your field of specialization i.e. biology for work with a scientific database.
- Plan to earn a Master's degree such as an MBA with a technology component for increased management opportunities.
- NOTE: The Management Information Systems major is closely related to other majors such as Computer Information Systems, Information System, Information Sciences and Information Technology. While each may be slightly different, all are focused on the application of technology in various environments. In contrast, Computer Science focuses on the theory of mathematical foundations required for the development of systems software such as operating systems and language translators.

**Electroni**c **Resources:**

- ASU CareerLink
  [www.aug.edu/career_center](http://www.aug.edu/career_center)
- Indeed.com
  [www.indeed.com](http://www.indeed.com)
- Augusta Hot Jobs
  [www.augustahotjobs.com](http://www.augustahotjobs.com)
- Augusta Smart Jobs
  [www.augustasmartjobs.com](http://www.augustasmartjobs.com)
- American Society for Information Sciences
  [www.asis.org](http://www.asis.org)
- Association for Computing Machinery-
  [www.acm.org](http://www.acm.org)
- Association for Women in Computing-
  [www.awc-hq.org/](http://www.awc-hq.org/)
- Institute for Certification of Computing Professionals-
  [www.iccp.org](http://www.iccp.org)
- Computer Software/Systems Jobs:
  [www.nationjob.com/computers](http://www.nationjob.com/computers)