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Degree Sought: **Master's**

Program Code (see <http://catalog.uic.edu/gcat/degree-programs/grad-prof-degree-programs/>): **20FS0112MS**

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 - a. You must be careful to exclude only instances that are trivial overlaps and not instances where corrections are necessary.
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