



Internet and Society

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FIG 39 • Fall 2019

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10 credits

MAIN CLASS

Library and Information
Studies 301

Information Literacies in Online Spaces

LINKED CLASS

Communication Arts 346

Critical Internet Studies

LINKED CLASS

Library and Information
Studies 201

The Information Society

The main seminar in this FIG, **Library and Information Studies 301: “Information Literacies in Online Spaces,”** explores the information and digital literacies needed by today’s online consumers and producers.

Issues to be covered include access (digital divides, power relations in online communities, regulation), analysis (assessing credibility, evaluating risks, analyzing representation), and production (editing Wikipedia and creating a video game). This class engages you in key debates and research related to digital literacies, connects with concepts covered in the other FIG courses, and develops information literacies. The three classes that comprise this FIG will prepare you with reading, writing, and analytical skills that will be useful across the humanities and social sciences. Many students from past “Internet and Society” FIGs have chosen majors in journalism, communication arts, economics, and computer sciences.

All three courses on this FIG count toward the UW’s Digital Studies Certificate. For this achievement,

students complete 16 credits that include one core course, four topical courses, and a one-credit capstone experience. **Library Information Studies 201** is a core course; **Communication Arts 346** and **Library Information Studies 301** are topical courses.

Communication Arts 346: “Critical Internet Studies”

— Traces the Internet’s history, reception, audience, industries, rhetorics, fictional and filmic narratives, and its potential as a purveyor and transmitter of culture and values.

Library and Information Studies 201: “The Information Society”

— Examines important social, legal, and historical contexts of information and information technologies, and explores significant social, legal, and moral questions that surround those technologies. ●

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:00 am					
9:00 am					
10:00 am		L I S 301 LEC 1 9:30–10:45 am		L I S 301 LEC 1 9:30–10:45 am	
11:00 am					
12:00 pm	COM ARTS 346 LEC 1 11:00–11:50 am		COM ARTS 346 LEC 1 11:00–11:50 am		
1:00 pm					
2:00 pm	COM ARTS 346 DIS 302 1:20–2:10 pm	L I S 201 DIS 303 1:20–2:10 pm			
3:00 pm	L I S 201 LEC 1 2:30–3:45 pm		L I S 201 LEC 1 2:30–3:45 pm		
4:00 pm					
5:00 pm					
6:00 pm					

Enrolled in a FIG and you change your mind?

FIG classes are designed to be taken together. When you enroll in a FIG, you are signed up for these classes as a whole group, not as separate classes.

Dropping one FIG class means ending your enrollment in all of the classes in the FIG.

So, here's what you should know if you want to drop the FIG:

- You can drop all the classes on your own at enroll.wisc.edu. Any non-FIG class will not be affected.
- After classes begin, if you need to drop a single class within the FIG, please contact Kari Fernholz (see below) to review your situation. If necessary, she will provide the required authorization to drop the class.
- Wednesday, September 11, 2019** is the last day to drop a class without it appearing on your college transcript.
- Friday, September 13, 2019** is the last day to add a class without first getting department permission.

MAIN CLASS

Library and Information Studies 301

Information Literacies in Online Spaces

LEC 1: TR 9:30–10:45

- Social Science
- Elementary

credits: 3

class number: **65335**

LINKED CLASS

Communication Arts 346

Critical Internet Studies

LEC 1: MW 11:00–11:50 +

DIS 302: M 1:20–2:10

- Humanities
- Intermediate

credits: 3

class number: **50442**

LINKED CLASS

Library and Information Studies 201

The Information Society

LEC 1: MW 2:30–3:45 +

DIS 303: T 1:20–2:10

- Communication Part B
- Humanities or Social Science
- Elementary

credits: 4

class number: **48932**



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