IRLS696E Human Rights to Information

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COURSE NAME, NUMBER AND PREREQUISITES:

IRLS 696E  Human Rights to Information

[Prerequisite: 504 or consent of the instructor.]

Instructor: Kay Mathiesen

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This seminar will focus on issues of rights related to information access and control. The course is international and cross-cultural in approach.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

The objective of this course is to give graduate students a deeper understanding the relevancy of human rights to information issues.

REQUIRED COURSE MATERIALS:

There is no required textbook. Course readings will be distributed via our d2l site.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Participation: This course is a seminar and thus such students are expected to do the majority of the talking. The participation will be evaluated based on quantity and quality.

Presentations: Students will be expected to lead the class discussion of the readings in addition to presenting one session on their research paper.

Short Papers: Students will write 5 short papers 1-2 pages on one of the weekly readings of their choice.

Research Paper: In consultation with the instructor, students will select a topic related to the course, and will write an in-depth research paper of 20-30 pages.

COURSE, SCHOOL, AND UNIVERSITY POLICIES:

Academic Code of Integrity

Students are expected to abide by The University of Arizona Code of Academic Integrity. 'The guiding principle of academic integrity is that a student's submitted work must be the student's own.' If you have any questions regarding what is acceptable practice under this Code, please ask an Instructor.

Accommodating Disabilities

The University has a Disability Resource Center. If you anticipate the need for reasonable accommodations to meet the requirements of this course, you must register with the Disability Resource Center and request that the DRC send me, the Instructor, official notification of your accommodation needs as soon as possible. Please plan to meet with me by appointment or during office hours to discuss accommodations and how my course requirements and activities may impact
your ability to fully participate.

**Assignment Policies**

Assignments are due at the beginning of class. No late assignments will be accepted. Assignments should be typed and free of spelling, punctuation, and grammatical errors.

**Incompletes**

The current Catalog reads:

> The grade of I may be awarded only at the end of a term, when all but a minor portion of the course work has been satisfactorily completed. The grade of I is not to be awarded in place of a failing grade or when the student is expected to repeat the course; in such a case, a grade other than I must be assigned. Students should make arrangements with the instructor to receive an incomplete grade before the end of the term ...  

If the incomplete is not removed by the instructor within one year the I grade will revert to a failing grade.

**GRADING:**

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The final grades will be given as follows. (Note that grades will not be rounded up. So, for example, if you receive a 89.9, you will receive a B.):

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**INSTRUCTOR NAME AND CONTACT ADDRESSES:**

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Courses

- Syllabi
  - Fall 11
    - Summer 2011
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  - Fall 09
    - IRLS506-001 Research Methods (On Campus Higgins)
    - IRLS506-010 Research Methods (Virtual Atkinson)
    - IRLS506-011 Research Methods (Virtual Seavey)
    - IRLS515-001 Organization of Information (On Campus Frické)
    - IRLS515-010 Organization of Information (Virtual Cui)
    - IRLS515-011 Organization of Information (Virtual Frické)
    - IRLS520-001 Ethics for Library and Information Professionals (On Campus Mathiesen)
    - IRLS520-010 Ethics for Library and Information Professionals (Virtual Fallis)
    - IRLS524 Information Resources and Services
    - IRLS532-001 Online Searching
    - IRLS553 Issues in Culture & Information Technology
    - IRLS561 Academic Libraries Practice and Administration
    - IRLS570 Database Development and Management
    - IRLS571 - 010 Introduction to Information Technology
    - IRLS571-011 Introduction to Information Technology (Smith)
    - IRLS572-010 Government Information
    - IRLS574 Digital Libraries
    - IRLS575 User Interface and Web Site Design
    - IRLS588-011 History of the Book
    - IRLS608 Planning and Evaluation of Libraries and Information Centers
    - IRLS617-010 Social Epistemology and Information Science
    - IRLS671 Introduction to Digital Collections
    - IRLS675 Advanced Digital Collections
    - IRLS696E Human Rights to Information
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Guided exploration

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Audience
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Course
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- IRLS432 (1)
- IRLS470 (2)
- IRLS488 (6)
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