INLS 525 Electronic Records Management (3 credits)

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Day and Time: asynchronous on Canvas

Office Hours: In-person on Tuesdays 12:30-1:30 and by appointment on Zoom or in-person

Course Description: Explores relationships between new information and communication technologies and organizational efforts to define, identify, control, manage, and preserve records. Considers the importance of organizational, institutional and technological factors in determining appropriate recordkeeping strategies. Students who take INLS 525 cannot also take INLS 724.

Outcomes:
- Students will understand the breadth of electronic records as they exist across different fields and functions
- Students will engage with phases of the records lifecycle
- Students will discuss important theories and issues circulating in ERM scholarship
- Students will practice metadata creation for electronic records across various mediums
- Students will consider ethical, security, and social implications of ERM
- Students will practice the capture of web or social media records
- Students will research electronic records controversies in the public sphere
- Students will consider ERM’s place in everyday life

Assignments:
Records Retention Scenario
Naming Conventions and File Organization Activity
Metadata and Inventory Exercise
Wed and Social Media Capture Activity
ERM Controversies Assignment
Information Governance Research
Global ERM Research
Reading Responses

UNC Graduate Grading Scale

Graduate Permanent Grades

H High Pass - Clear Excellence
P Pass - Entirely Satisfactory Graduate Work
University Attendance Policy:

No right or privilege exists that permits a student to be absent from any class meetings, except for these University Approved Absences:

- Authorized University activities
- Disability/religious observance/pregnancy, as required by law and approved by Accessibility Resources and Service and/or the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office (EOC)
- Significant health condition and/or personal/family emergency as approved by the Office of the Dean of Students, Gender Violence Service Coordinators, and/or the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office (EOC).

Class Attendance Policy:

Since this is an online, asynchronous class, your participation takes place through reading discussions on forums, activities, and assignments. Every class module opens far in advance of when a discussion, activity, or assignment is due, allowing for flexibility with student schedules. All graded work is due on the Friday of each week, creating a simple schedule for students to remember.

Consider attendance in this asynchronous class to mean “presence.” You should be present in our learning community, comment on other’s work that is posted, and understand that just like any graduate seminar, work is divided up by weekly modules.

Late Work and Extensions:

Communicate with me about late work. You may receive partial credit for some late work. If you have asked in advance, you may receive an extension on some assignments.

Honor Code

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has had a student-administered honor system and judicial system for over 100 years. The system is the responsibility of students and is regulated and governed by them, but faculty share the responsibility. If you have questions about your responsibility under the honor code, please bring them to your instructor or consult with the office of the Dean of Students or the Instrument of Student Judicial Governance. This document, adopted by the Chancellor, the Faculty Council, and the Student Congress, contains all policies and procedures pertaining to the student honor system. Your full participation and observance of the honor code is expected (honor.unc.edu).

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UNC-Chapel Hill is strongly committed to addressing the mental health needs of a diverse student body. The Heels Care Network website (https://care.unc.edu) is a place to access the many mental resources at
Carolina. CAPS is the primary mental health provider for students, offering timely access to consultation and connection to clinically appropriate services. Go to their website https://caps.unc.edu/ or visit their facilities on the third floor of the Campus Health building for an initial evaluation to learn more.

Accommodations are determined through the Office of Accessibility Resources and Service (ARS) for individuals with documented qualifying disabilities in accordance with applicable state and federal laws. See the ARS Website for contact information: https://ars.unc.edu or email ars@unc.edu.

**Title IX Resources**

Any student who is impacted by discrimination, harassment, interpersonal (relationship) violence, sexual violence, sexual exploitation, or stalking is encouraged to seek resources on campus or in the community. Reports can be made online to the EOC at https://eoc.unc.edu/report-an-incident/. Please contact the University's Title IX Coordinator (Elizabeth Hall, interim – titleixcoordinator@unc.edu), Report and Response Coordinators in the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office (reportandresponse@unc.edu), Counseling and Psychological Services (confidential), or the Gender Violence Services Coordinators (gvsc@unc.edu; confidential) to discuss your specific needs. Additional resources are available at safe.unc.edu.

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If you are experiencing harassment or discrimination, you can seek assistance and file a report through the Report and Response Coordinators (see contact info at safe.unc.edu) or the Equal Opportunity and Compliance Office, or online to the EOC at https://eoc.unc.edu/report-an-incident/.

**Diversity Statement**

I am attentive to issues of difference, privilege, inclusivity, ability, and experience in our classroom. I take all of this into consideration when I select readings, lead discussions, create assignments, set the classroom pace, and manage classroom environment. I want you to feel like you are not only safe in my classroom, but that you belong in my classroom, that your ideas are wanted, and that your thoughts are respected. Please let me know if you have feedback for me regarding any aspect of this class, including material and delivery.

**Syllabus Changes**

If the syllabus needs to change during the semester, I will let you know immediately.