Course Number & Name:  LIS 687 – Issues in Information Policy

Description:  Information policy is a set of interrelated principles, laws, guidelines, rule and regulations, and procedures that guide the oversight and management of the information life cycle. This field of public policy intersects most disciplines and professions, including law and public administration. Information policies determine what information is publicly available, and guide organizations in their information management practices.

- **Prerequisites:**  LIS 671 – Managerial Leadership

- **Audience (level, environment/setting):**  mid-level PhD; all settings

- **Student Learning Outcomes:** (see models document for definitions of leadership competencies – www.simmons.edu/gslis/phdmlip/program)
  - analytical thinking/problem-solving
  - strategic orientation
  - LIS domain knowledge
  - professionalism

- **Topics:**
  - government functions
  - policy development
  - needs assessment/information audit
  - security
  - information policies and developing nations
  - e-government
  - political economy of information
  - publishing industry
  - scholarly communication
  - intellectual property
  - telecommunication policy
  - assessment and accountability

- **Suggested Textbooks/Readings:**
  - Supported by additional reading from the current literature.

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