

## **LIS 610 Foundations of the Information Professions - Gwen Sinclair**

**Primary Student Learning Outcome:** SLO2 Professions (Core-eligible)

**Prerequisites:** None

**Last ran:** Spring 2020

**Meeting days and location:** Wednesdays, 5:00-7:30pm; HL 002K

### **Course objectives:**

- Become acquainted with a variety of aspects of your chosen profession
- Develop an understanding of the relationships and roles that libraries and comparable information agencies fulfill in the larger society, throughout history and into the future
- Develop capacities for research and critical thinking, particularly in viewing major social issues and problems of concern to the profession
- Gain experience in making information presentations to colleagues on topics of interest to the profession
- Understand professional ethics and be able to apply them to solve problems
- On a personal level, to understand the potential scope and dimensions of the careers for which you are preparing, in order to perceive your unique pathway to meaningful and rewarding work

### **Required texts:**

- None.

### **Required technology:**

- Computer with a reliable internet-connection or mobile device with a high-speed connection
- Use of Zoom & Slack, webcam and microphone, at least one up-to-date modern browser, and office productivity software
- You are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet to class to take notes or look up references made during class.

### **Teaching methods:**

- Lectures, discussions, guest speaker presentations, and group work.

### **Research methods:**

- Historiography, critical incident analysis, evaluation research, and needs assessment

### **Major assignments:**

- Librarian values presentation and paper
- Social issue presentation and paper
- Professional philosophy presentation and paper

**ePortfolio-eligible assignment:** Professional philosophy presentation and paper [Individual project]