LIS 517: Government Publications

Course Outline

Calendar Description
The control and dissemination of government publications, using the Canadian system as a model applicable to other political jurisdictions.

Objectives
To develop an understanding of the structure of government and the ways in which government generates information.

- To examine and discuss critically matters of acquisition, organization, and uses of government information.
- To study the nature and scope of official sources of government information.

Content
Canadian federal and provincial government information, maps, statistics, legal resources, and international organization, U.S., and U.K. publications.

Methods
Lectures, discussions, readings, in-class exercises, guest speakers, tours, and student presentations.

Course Relationships
Pre-requisites: LIS 501, LIS 502, and LIS 503.

Inclusive Language & Equity
The Faculty of Education is committed to providing an environment of equality and respect for all people within the university community, and to educating faculty, staff and students in developing teaching and learning contexts that are welcoming to all. The Faculty recommends that students and staff use inclusive language to create a classroom atmosphere in which students’ experiences and views are treated with equal respect and value in relation to their gender, racial background, sexual orientation, and ethnic backgrounds. Students who require accommodations in this course due to a disability affecting mobility, vision, hearing, learning, or mental or physical health are advised to discuss their needs with Specialized Support and Disability Services.

Academic Integrity
The University of Alberta is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are particularly urged to familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Code of Student Behaviour and avoid any behaviour which could potentially result in suspicions of cheating, plagiarism, misrepresentation of facts and/or participation in an offence. Academic dishonesty is a serious offence and can result in suspension or expulsion from the University.

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