Library and Information Science Across Disciplines

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ABSTRACT

At the heart of library and information science (LIS) is the process of seeking information, gathering and storing it, and then putting it to use - often by its dissemination to others. LIS is a field that immerses itself in the continual improvement of this process- which consequently is also the lifeblood of every academic domain. Using concrete examples, this panel proposes to discuss how LIS as an interdisciplinary field threads through other fields. Just as information is fundamental to knowledge, the processes regarding information retrieval, storage, and use that LIS is constantly seeking to refine are integral to all academic domains. The five members of this panel represent five institutions and five disparate areas of LIS research. What they have in common is their expertise in developing collaborative research partnerships with outside areas. Each panelist will discuss their experiences in seeking out and creating these productive collaborative relationships and how they see the interdisciplinary nature of LIS impacting their work. In addition to the panelists presentations, the audience will be polled on their research and professional collaborations with outside disciplines and the results will be displayed using data visualization software. Finally, the panelists will solicit crowd participation and open the floor for a discussion on experiences significant to the theme.

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