

# Information Literacy

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## EDU 420 Computers in the Classroom

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# What is Information Literacy?

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- Information Literacy is the ability to identify what information is needed, understand how the information is organized, identify the best sources of information for a given need, locate those sources, evaluate the sources critically, and share that information. It is the knowledge of commonly used research techniques.

# Why is Information Literacy Important?

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- Because we are surrounded by a growing ocean of information in all formats. Not all information is created equal: some is authoritative, current, reliable, but some is biased, out of date, misleading, false.
- The amount of information available is going to keep increasing.
- The types of technology used to access, manipulate, and create information will likewise expand.

# How Will I Use Information Literacy Skills?

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- As a 21<sup>st</sup> century citizen, one must be able to use varieties of information technologies to
  - Create information for research
  - Use information for jobs
  - Self-educate and manage daily personal life
  - Communicate with world
  - Share ideas with the public
  - Participate in a democratic society

# Information Processing

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1. Create
2. Search
3. Locate, Retrieve and Archive
4. Communicate
5. Collaborate
6. Manipulate and Manage
7. Evaluate
8. Reorganize
9. Share
10. Apply



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