Information Literacy Ethics: Towards a Framework to Guide Professional Practices

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As information literacy becomes increasingly a space of professional practice, our attention as information literacy professionals and participants in this scholarly community begins to turn towards the idea of a professional ethic. In this keynote address, I will explore some of the key dimensions that may be associated with an information literacy professional ethic; its epistemologies, values, beliefs and experiences; as well as some of the "ethical" characteristics we have come to associate with information literacy and its programs. I will also highlight some examples of "information literacy in action" that reflect these dimensions and characteristics. The exploration will take the form of a conversation.

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