

MLIS 7330
 Cataloging the Web
 Spring 2008

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Course Calendar	The course calendar follows the VSU calendar
Course Philosophy	<p>This course began as a means to describe Web related documents and has since expanded into something that addresses all digital documents. It is an introduction to metadata and the various schemes developed to manage digital documents. We will avoid discussions of “what is a document” and of “what is an author.” You will have had all of this in Foundations and other courses. We will assume we all accept the notion of documents created in digital format or transcribed into digital format. I will not spend time discussing cataloging rules a la AACR2 except insofar as they are pertinent to how one populates MARC or Dublin Core, etc.</p> <p>This course touches on some of the earlier efforts to manage Web pages, to include “spam-indexing.” It’s still around, only much more subtly than it was in say 1996.</p> <p>Presentations of metadata come in all sorts of flavors. I offer one; you will see that your textbook takes a different tact. All the better.</p>
Course Assignments	Send All Assignments and Discussions to the course WebCT account
Technology Needs	This is a Web-based course. Broadband is best. V.90 56k Internet access is adequate for most on-line needs. A 28.8k connection is slow but probably not too slow for a patient student.

	<p>A 586 “Pentium” processor or equivalent is a necessary minimum.</p> <p>Students should have at minimum a 5x browser. Microsoft IE , Netscape, and other browsers can be downloaded at no cost.</p> <p>A word processor capable of html conversion</p> <p>Adobe Acrobat Reader v 5.x or higher- Free software</p> <p>E-mail client</p> <p>Recommended but not necessary: An html editor capable of editing and replacing html code. . Netscape v7.x meets the criterion. IE edits in Word.</p>
<p>Office Hours and Contact</p>	<p>This course has no "office hours." The class threaded discussion will be monitored daily (except weekends and holidays). I will be available through email. I propose establishing "virtual office hours." I do not promise to answer your email immediately but within 24 “business” hours of receipt. Note the exception above for weekends.</p> <p>Reach me by email at wkoehler@valdosta.edu</p> <p>Phone 229 333 5860</p>
<p>Texts</p>	<p>One required book: Jia Liu, <i>Metadata and Its Applications</i>, 2007. Libraries Unlimited</p> <p>You will find that Jia Liu is organized differently from the course. Good! Use the text not only to augment the course, but also use the course to augment the text.</p>
<p>Grades</p>	<p>Final grades are scaled as follows: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=0-59 </p> <p>Assignment weights are provided under course assignments</p>