

Part 1: Philosophy Statement: 400 words

As a future academic librarian, my professional philosophy, beliefs, values and ethics would be to be involved in and stay abreast of changes and work with other librarians and students concerning artificial intelligence, information ownership and intellectual property and societal barriers to information. When it comes to intellectual freedom, privacy and democracy I believe that I, as a future librarian, should be very aware of these issues and should promote them. I am concerned about ethics of artificial intelligence when it comes to whether artificial intelligence is replacing jobs that can be performed by librarians, and whether artificial intelligence machines in a library could be tampered with. In an academic library, tampering is less likely than in a public library, however, it could still be an issue. In addition, I find that policies such as information ownership, disclosure, storage, confidentiality, and privacy, as well as intellectual property (copyright and copyright limits) and information integrity are important. I am also interested in working with societal barriers to information access: economic, cultural, generational and educational. The way I would resolve conflicts in relation to copyright and copyright limits would be to follow laws already in place and make sure that professionals know these laws and are aware of copyright limits when making a case. I would make sure that all parties involved know the copyright laws of the country in which they are applying these laws. For example, in The United States, The copyright law of 1976 states that, "the public printer shall sell under regulations for the Joint Committee on Printing to persons who may apply, additional duplicate or stereotype or electronic plates from which a Government publication is printed, at a price not to exceed the cost of composition, the metal, and making to the Government, plus ten per centum, and the full amount of the price shall be paid when the order is filled," (Copyright.gov). I am assuming this relates to coin mint or photographic printing. It shows and can be seen that there are laws in place regarding copyright which can be followed in case of a dispute over intellectual rights. One societal barrier which could come up in such a case would be what country the person who is seeking copyright lived in. If the person seeking copyright lives in a country beside the United States of America, copyright laws of another country, would obviously be right to consult and such a person should seek legal help from an lawyer outside the United States and in the country in which they reside. Seeking legal help from an American lawyer would be unhelpful and such a lawyer should ask the person to consult someone in that country. When it comes to intellectual freedom, privacy and democracy, I believe that librarians should definitely be against breaches of privacy of information in a library, just as the medical community has HIPPPA laws concerning privacy of information. As a future academic librarian, I also believe I should be pro-freedom of information and pro-democracy in an academic library as democracy is something our country was founded upon.

Part II: Professional Development Plan

Short Term Plan: 250 words

The requirements and skills I already possess that will be applicable in an entry level academic library position would be, research and an ethical foundation. My research skills concerning using a library are finding peer reviewed books articles and journals and using databases. I also have the skill of using office applications to create documents and presentations. My ethical foundation is that a library should

be democratic as in hiring librarians and that when it comes to artificial intelligence, it should be used but not at the expense of jobs that can be done by humans in a library.

One skill I need to acquire during my studies at SLIS is time management. I don't have perfect time management skills and one way I resolved this in undergraduate school was to set an alarm on my clock. One way I can have better time management skills in graduate school is to set alarms on my clock and remember to write down deadlines in a journal. Writing in a journal can be very helpful and in an entry level position in an academic library, this would be the best way to remind myself of upcoming deadlines.

When it comes to career planning and professional development, I will stay abreast of possible jobs by paying attention to positions open in my community. As for professional development, I will apply to be a part of as many opportunities, such as professional conferences in library, that are available and that I have been invited to attend.

Long Term Plan: 250 Words

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My familiarity with strategies, for career planning and professional development, are as follows:

Taking charge of choices is a career management strategy I am employing such as looking for a job in academic libraries, as well as knowing what types of organization I would like to work for is important to finding a good fit.

According to Hirsch, "To be a global information professional means to be aware of technology, skills, and knowledge that are in demand because these tools will be central to successful career performance." In addition, critical thinking, independence, time management, collaboration, professional networking affects my career goals in that as an academic librarian or archivist, I will need to be able to collaborate with both informational professionals and patrons to access correct and helpful information.

American Association of Law Librarians is appealing to me because I have dreamed of studying Law or collaborating with legal professionals. Association of Record Management and Administrators appeals to me as it is not for profit. Society for American Archivists is very appealing to me as I would love to be an archivist.

In conclusion, I would take charge of my choices in career management strategy, as well as look for jobs in types of organizations like academic libraries and archives.

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