

LIS 6919 PANEL: RESEARCH QUESTIONS

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Agenda

- Introduction
- Initial Orientation
- Our responses / Class discussion
- Developing personally relevant research questions

Please feel free to speak up at anytime

Grand Research Challenges (NSF)

- 5 key areas ... important for tackling the “research challenges related to building the systems of the future”
 1. Create a Ubiquitous Safety.Net
 2. Build a Team of Your Own
 3. Provide a Teacher for Every Learner
 4. Build Systems You Can Count On
 5. Conquer System Complexity

http://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/cyber/grandchallengesitr.jsp

Implications of Questions

- The next slides visit the implications of considering THE questions pertinent to LIS/ FSU SLIS within the bounds of “invisible colleges”
 - the notion that social institutions influence the development of ideas (Crane, 1972)
- Organizations
- Funding Sources
- Publishing Outlets

Organizations

- iSchool caucus
- ASIS&T
- ALISE
- ALA
- Academy of Health
- Others??

Funding Sources

- IMLS
- NSF
- NIH
- Others??

Publishing Outlets

- JASIST
- JELIS
- Library Quarterly
- Interacting with Computers
- Others??

Personal Ideas for Research Questions

- Larger scale to study specific
 - Your input is important...

The scientist is not a person
who gives the right answers,
he's one who asks the right questions.

~Claude Lévi-Strauss, *Le Cru et le cuit*, 1964