

# Information Literacy in Learning Spaces: a Holistic and Integrative Approach

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#### Learning has changed

- constructivistic view
- shift from teaching to learning
- competences

#### "Houses of learning" have changed

- different types of learning spaces
- learning spaces facilitate learning

#### Signs of change: information literacy in learning spaces

- topics and context
- actors and facilitators
- learning by doing

Time for a change: perspectives for information literacy concepts



# **Learning - constructivistic view:**

- individual situation of the learner with different experiences and influences,
- individual construction of knowledge

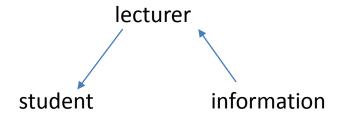




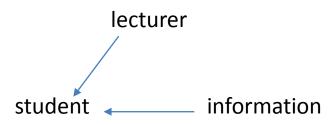
# "Shift from Teaching to Learning"

student centred approach - not teacher- centred instruction

#### traditional learning model:



#### independent learning model:







# **Competences:**

"Competences represent a dynamic combination of knowledge, understanding, skills and abilities. Fostering competences is the object of educational programmes." (OECD 2005, p. 9)





Learning Space Learning **Commons** Information **Commons** Learning Grid Info-Hub Learning Resource Centre **Learning Centre** 



# Glasgow Caledonian, Saltire Centre



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- central point of contact for student services
- a meeting place and social space



# University of Warwick, Learning Grid



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- users to adapt their learning and working places
- less formal staff structures



# North Carolina State University (NCSU), Learning Commons



(NCSU 2013)

- social aspects of learning
- communication, cooperative processes



# **Learning spaces offer special conditions**



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# How to facilitate information literacy in learning spaces



(IFLA 2010)



# "Topics and context" - integrative and holistic



### **Signs of change: Information literacy in learning spaces**

# "Actors and facilitators" - social and integrative



**Peer-to-Peer-Concepts** Technology helpdesk

(Brandeis University 2013)



# "Learning by doing" - practical, social, holistic

#### Academic skills advice

#### Academic skills appointments (bookable)

Appointment with an academic skills adviser.

For help with general study skills, eg academic writing, exam revision, time management, presentation feedback, understanding essay feedback, strategies for reading and notemaking.

· Face to face skills advice

#### Undergraduates & masters students

- · Appointment times: 10am-4pm Mondays-Fridays.
- · Book appointments via email: skills@warwick.ac.uk

Or

# Undergraduate & masters writing mentors (peer to peer scheme, drop-in service)

See a Doctoral Research student for advice on assignment writing topics, eg assignment planning, structure, style, referencing, grammar, presentation, clarity.

Timetable & locations

(Warwick 2013)

#### **Learning Grid , Warwick:**

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#### Time for a change: perspectives for Information Literacy Concepts

# New Learning Spaces require new concepts of information literacy

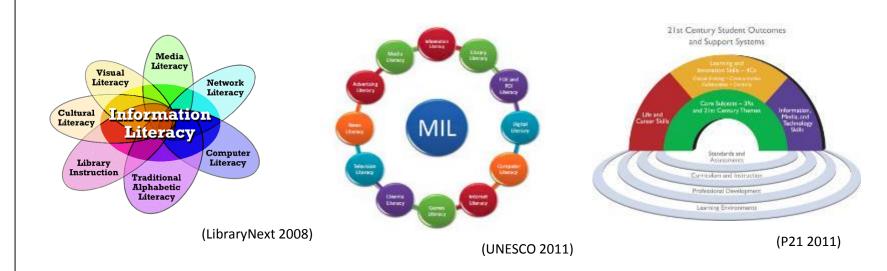
## **Practical level - implementation**

- integrate the services and programmes into the learners' study life (student's experience)
  - support social, cooperative, practical and virtual learning
- enhance by partnerships with other service departments and collaboration with faculty in learning spaces
  - step outside the librarians boundaries

#### Time for a change: perspectives for Information Literacy Concepts

## Theoretical level - underlying concepts

 foster the discussion and research of underlying concepts in order to broaden the perspective



#### Time for a change: perspectives for Information Literacy Concepts

Learning spaces offer a fertile ground which stimulates information literacy developments

Learning spaces require a broader approach of information literacy

There is a need for a new conceptual approach



# Thank you

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