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Samuelsson, Jenny. **Knowledge Organization for Feminism and Feminist Research: A Discourse Oriented Study of Systematic Outlines, Logical Structure, Semantics and the Process of Indexing.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 3-28. 64 references.

ABSTRACT: The focus in this article is an analysis of the knowledge organization systems that index and classify feminist research texts in a Swedish bibliographic context. The theoretical and analytical framework is primarily discourse theoretic. At first, a feminist discourse is defined, of which feminist research is seen as a part. Feminist perspectives are analyzed through text analysis of PhD dissertations as feminist articulations. I also analyze the possibilities to classify and index feminist research with the national universal knowledge organization systems (KOS): *Svenska Ämnesord* (SÄ) and *Klassifikationssystem för svenska bibliotek* (KSB), and one subject specific system: *Kvinnohistoriska samlingarnas ämnesord* (KvÄ). The systems are analyzed as articulations. The KOS are studied in order to discuss how they are able to articulate feminist perspectives. In the national universal systems, a severe marginalization of feminist research is noticed. Feminist discourse consisting of feminist theoretical and metatheoretical perspectives are not considered at all in the KOS, which could not be considered as feminist articulations. The marginalization is interpreted as an objectivistic and universalistic epistemology and ontology; monodisciplinary knowledge and thematic topics are privileged. Feminism is misunderstood as a field relating to socio-political women's issues, which has marginalized status in the systems. In the subject-specific system *Kvinnohistoriska samlingarnas ämnesord* incomplete and inadequate knowledge organization is shown. The structure of this index is too simplistic and feminist discourse as such is not defined. Successful organization of feminist knowledge needs to be based on a particular understanding of knowledge and knowledge organization as contextually shaped (and shaping).

Leong, Jack Hang-tat. **The Convergence of Metadata and Bibliographic Control? Trends and Patterns in Addressing the Current Issues and Challenges of Providing Subject Access.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 29-42. 54 references.

ABSTRACT: Resource description and discovery have been facilitated generally in two approaches, namely bibliographic control and metadata, which now may converge in response to current issues and challenges of providing subject access. Four categories of major issues and challenges in the provision of subject access to digital and non-digital resources are: 1) the advancement of new knowledge; 2) the fall of controlled vocabulary and the rise of natural language; 3) digitizing and networking the traditional catalogue systems; and 4) electronic publishing and the Internet. The creation of new knowledge and the debate about the use of natural language and controlled vocabulary as subject headings becomes even more intense in the digital and online environment. The third and fourth categories are conceived after the emergence of networked environments and the rapid expansion of electronic resources. Recognizing the convergence of metadata schemas and bibliographic control calls for adapting to the new environment by developing tools that exploit the strengths of both.

Friedman, Alon. **The Use of Concept Maps in Knowledge Organization: An Analysis of Conference Paper.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 43-50. 16 references.

ABSTRACT: Concept mapping is a technique for representing knowledge in graphic form. It is often used in academic conference papers by professionals in the field of knowledge organization. By examining the entire run of conference proceedings from ISKO and ASIS SIG/CR, looking specifically at the nationality and professional occupation of the authors who used concept maps in their papers, this study analyzes how concept maps have been implemented. A total of 652 papers and 327 concept maps were examined, from nine volumes of ISKO conference proceedings and thirteen volumes of ASIS SIG/CR conference proceedings. In addition, I applied Dahlberg's classification in order to better understand the nature my findings. I found that Dahlberg's "object" category covers the majority of titles and concept maps found in the proceedings. Future studies need to address how concept maps used by researchers can be organized to support retrieval.

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Campbell, D. Grant. **Tensions Between Language and Discourse in North American Knowledge Organization.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 51-57. 33 references.

ABSTRACT: This paper uses Paul Ricoeur's distinction between language and discourse to help define a North American research agenda in knowledge organization. Ricoeur's concept of discourse as a set of utterances, defined within multiple disciplines and domains, and reducible, not to the word but to the sentence, provides three useful tools for defining our research. First, it enables us to recognize the important contribution of numerous studies that focus on acts of organization, rather than on standards or tools of organization. Second, it provides a paradigm for reconciling the competing demands of interoperability, based on widely-used tools and techniques of library science, and domain integrity, based on user warrant and an understanding of local context. Finally, it resonates with the current economic, political and social climate in which our information systems work, particularly the competing calls for protectionism and globalization.

Pimentel, David M. **Examining the KO Roots of Taylor's Value-Added Model.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 58-64. 13 references.

ABSTRACT: The Value-Added Model, as developed by Robert Taylor in his 1986 monograph *Value-Added Processes in Information Systems*, has been highly influential in the field of library and information science. Yet despite its impact on the broader LIS field, the potential of the Value-Added Model has gone largely unexplored by knowledge organization (KO) researchers. Unraveling the history behind the Model's development highlights the significant contributions made by studying the work practices of professional indexers. In light of its foundation on KO praxis, this paper reexamines Taylor's Model as a robust framework for evaluating knowledge organization systems.

Dousa, Thomas M. **Classical Pragmatism and its Varieties: On a Pluriform Metatheoretical Perspective for Knowledge Organization.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 65-71. 40 references.

ABSTRACT: Pragmatism is a metatheoretical perspective within knowledge organization (KO) that derives from an American philosophical tradition active since the late 19th century. Its core feature is commitment to the evaluation of the adequacy of concepts and beliefs through the empirical test of practice: this entails epistemological anti-foundationalism, fallibilism, contingency, social embeddedness, and pluralism. This article reviews three variants of Pragmatism that have been historically influential in philosophy—Charles Sanders Peirce's scientifically oriented pragmatism, William James's subjectivist practicalism, and John Dewey's socially oriented instrumentalism—and indicates points of contact between them and KO theories propounded by Henry E. Bliss, Jesse H. Shera, and Birger Hjørland, respectively. KO applications of classical Pragmatism have tended to converge toward a socially pluralist model characteristic of Dewey. Recently, Richard Rorty's post-modern brand of Neopragmatism has found adherents within KO: whether it provides a more advantageous metatheoretical framework than classical Pragmatism remains to be seen.

Buchel, Olha and Hill, Linda L. **Treatment of Georeferencing in Knowledge Organization Systems: North American Contributions to Integrated Georeferencing.** *Knowledge Organization*, 37(1), 72-78. 25 references.

ABSTRACT: Pioneering research projects in North America that have advanced the integration of formal mathematical georeferencing and informal placename georeferencing in knowledge organization systems are described and related to visualization applications.