

# School of Library and Information Studies 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Public Lecture

## Hope A. Olson. Ubiquitous Classification: Define and Construct

Classification permeates our everyday/everynight worlds. It structures the home, work, travel, learning, disasters, populations, public health distributions, knowledge and anything else one can imagine. This lecture will examine the cultural heritage of our classificatory practices and the impact of our efforts to standardize and homogenize the pieces of our lives.

September 27, 2018 • 4:30 - 6:30 pm • Lecture & Reception  
Education North 2-115, University of Alberta North Campus

Hope A. Olson is a Professor Emerita of the School of Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She spent 21 years at the University of Alberta first as an academic librarian and then as a SLIS faculty member. Her research focuses on cultural aspects of subject across cultures and on theory and classificatory structure from a feminist, poststructural, post-colonial perspective using humanities-style text-based methods. The honours she has received reflect the breadth, depth and complexity of her work. Now retired, she lives in Wisconsin with her husband and their cat.

