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## Master's Programme in Information Science, autumn 2018

- •Welcome!
- Andreas presents INFO319 (Vimala is not here)
- •Christoph presents INFO345
- •Frode presents INFO361
- •Liv informs
- •Fagutvalget informs(?)



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## **Basic structure**

- •First two semesters doing courses
- -usually 4 information science courses
- -15 study points each
- -one of these courses is INFO300



# **Basic structure**

- •First two semesters doing courses
- •Then two semesters doing your Master's Thesis
- -60 study points
- -a graded research project, usually individual
- -theory-based, clear research goals and questions
- -usually empirical, but can be pure theory/reflection
- -often involves technology development & evaluation



# Examples of thesis topics

- •Augmented reality for teaching local history
- Use of fuzzy logic to understand spoken commands for moving around in Google Street View
- •Responsive fidgetting gadget for ADHD youth
- Probabilistic models for decision support in fish farming supervision
- •Lifestyle app for young MS adults
- Semantic technologies and NL techniques to distill information from EULAs
- •Neural networks to diagnose dyscalculia
- Reasoning about uncertainty in Cluedo



Thank you :-)

#### ...over to myself!



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# Welcome to INFO319: Research Topics in Big Data wiki.uib.no/info319



#### Theme this autumn: Big Data for Emergency Management

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## **Project BDEM**

- •Leveraging Big Data for Emergency Management
- -how can semantic technologies play a part?
- -developing a new Master course





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Possibilities:

–Master theses

-student visits abroad



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## **Project BDEM**

•Building a curriculum around leveraging big data in emergency situations

- -Norwegian Research Council
- -Sogndal, Tokyo, Hong-Kong, Chicago, San Diego
- -Bergen has focus on big linked data
- •New Master course this autumn
- -builds on INFO310 from last autumn
- •Possible theme for essays and projects
- -in INFO310 and other courses?

#### Themes

- •Themes, autumn 2018:
- 1) Emergency management (Aug 30th)
- 2) Big data (Aug 31st)
- 3) Emergency data sources (Oct 4th)
- 4) Sensors / IoT (Oct 5th)
- 5) Social media (Oct 25th)
- 6) Natural language processing (Oct 26th)
- 7) Machine learning (Nov 22nd)
- 8) Visualisation / Dashboards (Nov 23rd)

## Curriculum

•Textbook:

•Carlos Castillo (2016). Big Crisis Data – Social Media in Disasters and Time-Critical Situations. Cambridge, 212 pages.

- •Research papers in the wiki:
- •https://wiki.uib.no/info319/index.php/Central\_themes

• A general book discussion of big data:

•Rob Kitchin (2014). The Data Revolution: Big Data, Open Data, Data Infrastructures & their Consequences. Sage, 208 pages.

## Requirements

•Participation:

-active participation in seminars

- -graded individual essay (30%)
- -graded group assignment (40%)
- -written exam (30%)

•Important dates:

-submission of group assignment: October 27<sup>th</sup> 2018
-submission of individual essay: December 5<sup>th</sup> 2018
-exam: December 17<sup>th</sup> 2018

### Seminars

- •8 seminars:
- -Thursday / Friday 1015-1600
- -dates:
- •August 30-31
- •October 4-5
- •October 25-26
- •November 22-23
- -the sessions are highly interactive
- you present, critique and discuss
- chapters and papers
- •your essays and projects
- -80% mandatory participation
- (you can only miss one)

Thank you :-)



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