About the Book

"Looking for Information: A Survey of Research on Information Seeking, Needs, and Behavior" reviews more than 50 years of research on information seeking and related topics, and contains over 1,300 citations to relevant works. Now in its third edition, this book is the most comprehensive text on the topics of information seeking, information behavior and information practices. Coverage includes the nature of information, information needs and uses, sensemaking, information avoidance, communication among scientists and scholars, relevant social and psychological theories, models of information behavior, and applicable research methodologies. Interdisciplinary in the choice of examples, the book cites research in information studies, communication, education, management, medicine, sociology and psychology. The book is intended for students and scholars in library and information science, communication, education and related disciplines. Presenting a broad view of these topics, this text is suitable as a companion for courses ranging from undergraduate level to doctoral studies related to information-seeking, information practices and information behavior. In addition, it is a useful reference guide for established scholars.