**Community informatics: the research literature**

Community informatics began as practical activity in communities. How is it also a field of research? One way to answer that is to identify the literature that is the record and the discourse of researchers. With this initial bibliography, the Community Informatics Initiative hopes to start a collection that will help advance our field. The initial entries are the scholarly works—books, book chapters, conference proceedings, journal articles, and theses—that have been used in community and social informatics courses at the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science since 2005. To add entries, please write to <slirish@illinois.edu>. The list was started in May 2008 by Kate Williams with the assistance of Kristin LoDolce; additions began in August.

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