

PRIVACY IN NETWORKED PLACES

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Abstract

There is a widespread myth that young people don't care about privacy. Embedded in this myth is an assumption that participation in public social media like Facebook and Twitter indicates a rejection of privacy. Yet, just because people want to participate in public life doesn't mean that they want everything they do to go down on their permanent record or to be publicized for the whole world to see. This talk will examine how young people understand privacy and the strategies they take to achieve privacy in networked publics.

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