

BEYOND ACADEMIA: DESIGNING ARCHIVES OUTREACH FOR NON-TRADITIONAL USERS

Outreach and Information Design



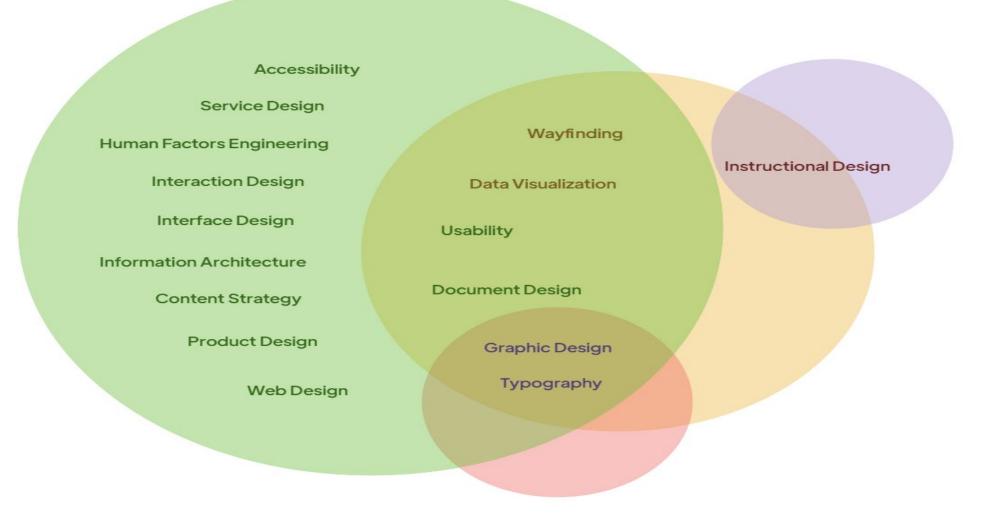
INFORMATION DESIGN?

"Librarians and archivists are often called upon to practice design. Such activities take various forms, from creating maps and signs to arranging services and spaces. From an organizational perspective, every policy or service created in a library can be regarded as a design decision."

— Diana Wakimoto



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INFORMATION DESIGN PRINCIPLES and GUIDELINES

- **❖** Audience Analysis
- Plain Language
- Typography
- **♦** Data Visualization
- Graphics



INFORMATION DESIGN and FINDING AIDS

"Archivists have a professional responsibility to promote access to archives. They proactively provide access to the parts of their holdings that are of wide interest to the public through print publication, digitization, postings on the institution's website, or by cooperation with external publication projects. Archivists consider user needs when determining how the archives are published."

— International Council on Archives

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