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OPSOMMING

Die doel van hierdie navorsing was om die impak van naamgee-praktyke onder Noord-Amerikaanse Indiane op gesagsbeheer te bepaal. Ten einde alle aspekte tedek, is die hoofprobleem verdeel in die volgende sub-probleme:

1. Watter naamgee-praktyke bestaan onder Noord-Amerikaanse Indiane?
2. Kom Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname voor in die publikasie-omgewing?
3. Is dit nodig om Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname te standaardiseer?
4. Watter naamgesagsbeheerreëls bestaan vir Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname en is hulle voldoende?
5. Hoe word Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname verteenwoordig in nasionale bibliografieë?

Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname toon veral drie vorme: Europees, tradisioneel en gemeng. Verder bestaan daar ook naamreekse en naamstelle. Indien hierdie naamvorme voorkom in die publikasie-omgewing, moet voorsiening gemaak word vir die name in die gesagbeheerstelsels.

Al die Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname in die steekproef het voorgekom in akademiese tekste, populêre boeke, kinderboeke en handboeke wat geïdentifiseer is. Die name moet inpas by die bestaande gesagsbeheerstelsels of die stelsels moet aangepas word om voorsiening te maak vir die name.

Die proefskrif gee 'n uiteensetting van die spesifieke probleme wat Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname bied vir bestaande gesagsbeheerpraktyke. Dit word bevestig dat dit belangrik is om hierdie probleme aan te spreek.

Die reëls in twee van die belangrikste naslaanbronne op die gebied van gesagsbeheer, naamlik *AACR2R* en *Names of persons: national usages for entry in catalogues* is ondersoek; tekortkominge is geïdentifiseer ten opsigte van Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname en wysigings is voorgestel.

Die ondersoek na die voorkoms van Noord-Amerikaanse name in nasionale bibliografieë was die finale toets om die impak van Noord-Amerikaanse naampraktyke op gesagsbeheer te bepaal. Die vorme van Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname in die nasionale bibliografieë wat ondersoek is, het aansienlik gewissel wat dui op 'n gebrek aan standaardisasie van die name.

Sleutelwoorde

Naamgeopraktyke
Naamgesagsbeheer
Naamreekse
Naamstelle
Naamvorme
Nasionale bibliografieë
Noord-Amerikaanse Indiaanname
Publikasie-omgewing
Universele bibliografiese beheer

ABSTRACT

The Impact Of Naming Practices Among North American Indians On Name Authority Control by

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The purpose of this research was to discover the impact of naming practices among North American Indians on name authority control. In order to address all the aspects, the main problem was divided into the following sub-problems:

1. What are the naming practices among North American Indians?
2. Are North American Indian names found in the publication environment?
3. Is it necessary to standardize North American Indian names?
4. What are the authority control rules for North American Indian names and are they adequate?
5. How are North American Indian names presented in national authority files?

North American Indian names showed three different forms: European, traditional, and mixed. Name sequences and name sets were also identified. If these name sequences and sets are found in the publication environment, provision should be made for the name forms in authority control systems.

All of the sample North American Indian name forms (as well as names sets) were found in the identified academic texts, popular books, children's books, and textbooks. So these forms and sequences had to either fit the current authority control system or the system would have to be modified to meet the new names.

The thesis documented how Native American Indian name forms present specific problems of standardization. The necessity of addressing these problems was confirmed.

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The rules in two of the central authority control reference sources, AACR2R and *Names of persons: national usages for entry in catalogues*, were examined. Deficiencies were identified with regard to North American Indian names and changes suggested.

Presentation of North American Indian names in national bibliographies was a final test to determine the impact of North American Indian names on name authority control. The forms of North American Indian names in the national bibliographies studied varied substantially, which is an indication of the lack of standardization of the names.

KEYWORDS

Name authority control

Name forms

Name sequences

Name sets

Naming practices

National bibliographies

North American Indian names

Publication environment

Universal bibliographic control