

Chapter 6 – Informational Privacy: Concepts, Theories and Controversies

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What I expect to learn: What I expect to learn from this chapter is what is Informational Privacy all about and its concepts, theories and controversies.

Quote: “it would seem that privacy is not simply a static concept, but instead a dynamic component.”

Review: The chapter talks about the Informational Privacy and its relation to the concepts, theories and controversies of Informational Privacy but let us first define what privacy is. Privacy is like our personal property it can be our personal information like where do we live and what kind of lifestyle do we have and we don't want a stranger to know all of these are we? Because we don't know them and it is scary on what they might do and they're real motive in asking for this information and it is really dangerous especially in our country where the crime rate is high. Based on the text it is “important because that concept has played and continuous to play in social and political thought.” Many people now a days wants to have their own privacy. In the case of the problem in the united states where many people are complaining about the information that they have in famous social networks and they don't have their own privacy that is now today because of the new upgraded versions that social networks has like face book you can now change you settings into private and choose the people who can see your profile in that way all the things in your site and face book will be private and can only be seen by your friends. Privacy is also important like in politics every politician needs their own privacy because what they are doing is strictly confidential and they are the one handling the government and has the power over a certain country that is why they need their own privacy. Based on the text “Moor argues that privacy is an evolving concept and that its content is influenced by political and technological features of the society's environment.”

What I have learned:

1. Privacy is very important because it is confidential and should only be within a person's personal and own privacy.
2. We should respect the privacy of a person.
3. We should be careful on our personal information and the people we socialize to.
4. We should keep things private within the people we know and not to strangers, like what they say “don't talk to strangers”.
5. Informational privacy is the privacy within the IT world which can be how private and how we should protect our networks and prevent it from hacking.

Integrative Questions:

1. What is the difference between interests based conceptions and rights based conceptions?
2. What are the similarities of interests based conceptions and rights based conceptions?
3. What is the relation of privacy or informational privacy to ethics?
4. What is the most important component of informational privacy?
5. What is the relation of accessibility privacy to informational privacy?