Online Identity Management

VCU Technology Days

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Assumptions

- Identity is consolidating online and offline
 - You are who you are
 - Online will become an extension of offline, not something separate
- People will continue to 'do stuff' online
 - More and more breadcrumbs
 - Where they've been
 - What they've done
- Search is King
 - Perhaps frighteningly so, at times

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Corollary:

However true this is today, it will be more true tomorrow.

Actions speak louder than words

Is this true?

Online?

What do you do online?

Stuff we do

- We buy/sell stuff Amazon, Ebay
- We search for stuff Google, Yahoo
- We manage stuff
 - words class websites, blog, email
 - pictures Flickr
 - music Last.fm
 - people LinkedIn, Facebook, MySpace
 - links del.icio.us, CiteULike, ma.gnolia.com
 - books LibraryThing
 - time 30boxes, other calendars

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- Today/Tomorrow
 - Identity defined by a third party (search engine) and our online existence has four new characteristics (boyd)
 - Persistence
 - Searchability
 - Replicability
 - Invisible Audiences

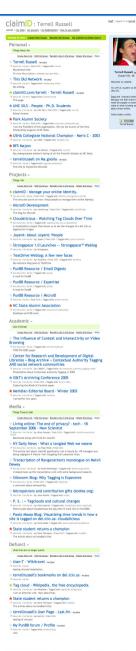
Take action

- Realize that a conversation about you is happening
 - People are searching for you
 - People are forming opinions about you
- Take an active role in managing the search engines' reach
 - Tweak what you can control
 - Consider everything to be global
 - Think before you join/post/buy/reply/friend
 - Give yourself a voice in that above conversation

claimID.com



claimID lets you track, verify, classify, annotate, prioritize and share the information that is about you online.



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Viewing 36 links | Create New Group | Reorder My Groups | My ClaimID As Others See It

Personal -

Things About Me

<u>Create New Link</u> | <u>Edit this Group</u> | <u>Reorder Links in this Group</u> | <u>Delete this Group</u> | (Help)

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Welcome to claimID.

I'm a Ph.D. student at SILS at UNC-CH.

Fred and I started claimID because we feel there's a need for people to have a voice in what is being said about them online.

Come stake a claim.



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Watch yourself...

http://claimID.com/bestpractices

- Find yourself online
- Automatically track your identity

Questions...

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