

Terms Related to Internet Research Ethics

“Chunked”- lumped active consent statements

IP address- A numeric address assigned to every computer that connects to a network, or more commonly, the Internet.

EULA- End-User License Agreement; An acronym used in the software industry, you will see this term when you are installing new software and you must click on a radio button to "agree" or "disagree" with a program's legal notice.

Mashable- a term used to describe two or more online applications that work together and/or within each other. This is achieved by means of Application Programming Interfaces (API). Mashable is most often used in the context of social networking applications such as MySpace, Facebook, and YouTube.

MMORPG- An acronym for "Massively MultiPlayer Online Role Playing Game"; These types of games often involve hundreds of players participating in virtual worlds.

MOO- MUD, object-oriented; A text based online virtual environment, often used for text based gaming in real time.

MUD- Multi-User Dimension; A class of virtual reality experiments accessible via the *Internet*

“Non-place” sites-

Online marketplaces - An electronic marketplace in which goods and services are traded. These exchanges are global in nature, operate [24/7](#), and connect large communities of buyers and sellers. i.e. auctions

“Push” methods- to send data to a client without the client requesting it

SMS- a common method of sending short messages between cell phones; text message

Scraping- the process of automatically collecting information from the world wide web; “copy and paste”

Synchronous data-

TOS- Terms of Service; rules which one must agree to abide by in order to use a service.