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Week-3 Assignment - Annotated Bibliography - Dark Web

Gehl, R. W. (2021). Dark web advertising: the dark magic system on Tor hidden service search engines. *Continuum: Journal of Media & Cultural Studies*, 35(5), 667–678. <https://doi-org.nec.gmilcs.org/10.1080/10304312.2021.1983251>

This paper I found on NEC Libraries and it attracted my attention as it studies advertising on the Dark Web. Now if the Dark Web is hidden why would anyone spend money to advertise on it? Thus I am adding this to my sources for my final research paper. The paper makes a case that advertising on the Dark Web is a "dark magic system," drawing on Raymond Williams' idea of the "magic system." The article initially explains the term "Dark Web" before examining more than 300 banner ads that may be seen on search engines that use the Tor onion service. The paper explores the connections that advertising draws between values and the products they promote. There is also a discussion on the ethical and legal implications of the dark magic system.

Michael Chertoff (2017) A public policy perspective of the Dark Web, *Journal of Cyber Policy*, 2:1, 26-38, <https://doi.org/10.1080/23738871.2017.1298643>

This article I found on the Internet, and published by Taylor and Francis Online is a reputable academic publisher that provides access to peer-reviewed journals, books, and other scholarly content. I added this to my research sources because of the implications on public policy of The Dark Web is an intriguing subject and I have followed both sides of the debate for some time now. This essay examines two distinct policy areas: considering (1) how best to regulate the Dark Web and (2) researching the best and most practical ways for the government to step in. This is an area I want to dwell further on and see how we can make best use of online anonymity at the same time stay within legal and compliance regulations.

Weber, J., & Kruisbergen, E. W. (2019). Criminal markets: the dark web, money laundering and counterstrategies - An overview of the 10th Research Conference on Organized Crime. *Trends in Organized Crime*, 22(3), 346–356. <https://doi-org.nec.gmilcs.org/10.1007/s12117-019-09365-8>

This article is an abstract from the 10th Research Conference on Organized Crime that took place in The Hague in 2018 October. This theme of the conference was Criminal Markets: The Dark Web, Money Laundering and Counterstrategies. Researchers, practitioners and policy makers gathered to discuss research results, trends and policy issues. This article looks into recent developments on the topics mentioned and gives an overview of the conference. The article focuses on the different speakers in the conference and how they touched upon the various dimensions of market places and potential criminal activities on the Dark Web. The intrigue and the mystery of the Dark Web is something I wanted to research on and this article provides a perspective on the so many unknowns in this area. Hence I am adding this to my sources for further research and final presentation.