

What About Me?

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If I see representations of my culture in marketing materials, they are respectful.



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What is diversity and inclusion?



I don't HAVE TO rely on public transportation; I can afford my own vehicle.

Diversity

Includes, but is not limited to:

- Race
- Ethnicity
- Gender
- Sexual orientation
- Age

- Physical ability
- Religion
- Socioeconomic status
- National origin



Places to worship or practice my religion are numerous in my community.



the act of valuing, respecting, and making people feel welcome





Why should diversity and inclusion matter to us?



I can interact with marketing materials without the use of assistive technology.



Recognizing and reflecting our communities and underrepresented groups



Setting an example by upholding library values



Community anchor



Recruiting and retaining staff





Why is this so hard for us?



I can watch videos without relying on captioning.

Because we don't have...



people, time, money



diverse photos, content



a diverse community



to change anything



I am fairly certain that I will not have to skip meals because I cannot afford to eat.



Who's missing?



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Include presenters, speakers, colleagues, partners who aren't like you.





When I attend an event, no one questions why I'm there or if I'm lost.

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When I look at maps or signage, I identify parking, entrances and exits that I can easily get to.

Go over the content & photos in your newsletters or emails



August 2018

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October 2018

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THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA University Libraries



"1968 in America" exhibit opens September 4

The anti-war movement and the underground press. Civil rights. Popular music. Edward Abbey's *Desert Solitaire*. These are some of the topics which our fall exhibit explores. Curated by librarian Bob Diaz, "1968 in America" turns back the clock 50 years. We hope to see you on September 6 for our opening reception and a presentation by author and travel writer Tom Miller.



University of Arizona

\$7M gift to renovate Science-Engineering Library

The University of Arizona Libraries has received a \$7 million gift to support renovation of the Science-Engineering Library. This gift from the **Frederick Gardner Cottrell Foundation** was recognized on October 5 during a ceremony to rename the Science-Engineering Library as the **Albert B. Weaver Science-Engineering Library**.

Photo: President Emeritus John P. Schaefer, Vice President for Information Strategy & University Libraries Karen Williams, Libraries Dean Shan Sutton, President Robert C. Robbins

Read more about the gift



Recap

SSS	Include others who aren't like you.		Review & take inventory of your print materials.
Look at your website images & content.		Check your social media posts, newsletters, etc.	



I don't need to worry about negative consequences of disclosing my religious identity to others.



"Whose story are you telling?"







Pima County's LGBT services, resources set a national trend

by PimaLib LGBTQ+ October 25, 2014

This article by Library Associates Caitlin Burns and Wayne Wheeler was originally published in the Arizona Daily Star on Oct. 25, 2014.

The Pima County Public Library was one of the first library systems in the country to have an LGBT committee that also had the full support from library administrators to provide library resources and services to the LGBT community. As the co-chairs of the library's LGBT Services Committee this year, we interviewed each other to

find out why being a part of this committee is important to us.

Caitlin: Where are you from and how did you end up working at the library?

Wayne: I'm originally from Tucson and once I received my Masters in Library Science, my goal was to work for our public library system. I met my husband in 1990 and then landed a Librarian position at the









People don't ask me why I "chose" my sexual or gender identity.



What's a 30-60 plan?

What you can do in 30 days

Pick one

Review your materials, website images, social media posts

Walk through your spaces, and look at your signage, displays and exhibits

Make your committees more diverse, inclusive, representative

Look at your style guide; be aware of the language/wording you use

What you can do in 60 days

Pick one

Review your signage and maps for accessibility icons

Use inclusive language like genderneutral pronouns

Identify different partners for projects

Start captioning your videos



I am never asked to speak for all the people of my racial group.



Check boxes or representation?

Aren't "diversity" and "inclusion" just trending right now?

- Nope.
- This has been trending for thousands of years.
- **The key:** Taking steps so <u>everyone</u> can say yes to any privilege statement.



What about intellectual freedom and freedom of speech?



- Ask hard questions.
- Talk to your experts and administration.
- The key: Acknowledging that this goes beyond marketing.

What can I do first? Where should I start?

- Start today.
- Look around you. Watch, listen.
- The key: Being willing to make a change or influence change.





What About You?

What will you do to help others feel empowered, welcomed, seen, and represented?



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THANK YOU

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Resources

<u>The Accessible Icon Project</u> - The updated International Symbol of Access designed by disability activists and now used around the world.

<u>Difference Matters</u> - Brenda J. Allen's website provides resources on diversity, identity, and communication for educators, students, and trainers.

<u>Gender-neutral pronouns: What they are and how to use them</u> - A blog about how to use pronouns that do not specify gender identity.

<u>Guidelines: How to Write and Report About People with Disabilities (8th</u> <u>edition)</u> - This classic on person-first language reflects input from more than 100 national disability groups.

Resources

<u>How to use racial equity toolkits</u> - This post on Fakequity, a blog about racial equity and its nemesis, "fakequity," offers advice to advance racial equity.

The Jopwell Collection - 100+ photos featuring Black, Latinx, and Native American students and professionals at work, available under a Creative Commons Attribution license.

<u>Nappy</u> - Photos of people of color available under the Creative Commons Zero license.

<u>Planning accessible and inclusive events</u> - A helpful event checklist provided by the University of Arizona Disability Resource Center.

Resources

<u>Radical Copyeditor</u> - Alex Kapitan offers writing advice on how to be sensitive and anti-oppressive regarding race, class, sexuality, gender, ability, age, body size, religion, nationality, and more.

<u>She? Ze? They? What's In a Gender Pronoun?</u> - This New York Times article provides some context on the evolution of gender pronouns.

<u>WOCinTech Chat</u> - Stock photos of women of color in tech, licensed under a Creative Commons Attribution license.

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