**Intellectual Freedom**

Intellectual freedom is the cornerstone of academic inquiry. A researcher must be able to study ideas as academic subjects, free from judgment or assumption that they espouse those ideas.

As a corollary, the Washington State University Libraries works to offer our University communities the materials they need for study and research. This unavoidably means that the library will collect materials that some find objectionable. This does not constitute an endorsement of those ideas, but rather of our commitment to the right to free inquiry.

**The WSU Libraries supports and endorses the following statements:**

* [The Library Bill of Rights](https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill) (American Library Association)
* [Intellectual Freedom Principles for Academic Libraries: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights](https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/intellectual) (American Library Association)
* [The Freedom to Read Statement (](https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/freedomreadstatement)American Library Association)
* [Privacy: An Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights](https://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/librarybill/interpretations/privacy) (American Library Association)
* [ACRL Statement on Academic Freedom](https://www.ala.org/acrl/standards/academicfreedom)(Association of College and Research Libraries)
* [Washington State University Core Values: Freedom of Expression](https://strategy.wsu.edu/strategic-plan/mission-beliefs-and-values/)
* [The Washington State University Faculty Manual: Faculty Responsibilities](https://facsen.wsu.edu/documents/2020/08/faculty-manual-2020-title-ix-red-line-pdf.pdf/) (2020 edition)

**Suggesting Changes or Additions to the Collection**

The Libraries welcomes our community to suggest titles for purchase using [WSU Libraries Purchase Request Form](https://libraries.wsu.edu/purchase-request/) . Suggested titles will be reviewed by Collection Development personnel. Questions regarding materials currently present in our collection can be brought to [person/department].

More information about collection development:

* [WSU Pullman Collection Development Policies](https://libraries.wsu.edu/collection-development/policies-general)
* [WSU Vancouver Collection Development Policies](https://library.vancouver.wsu.edu/collections/library-collection-development-policy)