The University of Hartford aims to continue to foster an inclusive and equitable environment through programs, initiatives, and education. We have compiled a summer reading list made up of book recommendations from the UHart faculty and staff that are focused in the DEI space!

### Ability, Disability, Ableism

- **Nothing about Us Without Us: Disability Oppression and Empowerment**, by James Charlton
- **Disability Visibility**, edited by Alice Wong
- **Care Work: Dreaming Disability Justice**, by Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha
- **Feminist, Queer, Crip**, by Alison Kafer
- **Being Heumann: An Unrepentant Memoir of a Disability Rights Activist**, by Judith Heumann and Kristen Joiner

### Faith & Religious Identity

- **The Price of Freedom Denied**, by Brian J. Grim and Roger Finke
- **Religious Identity and Renewal in the Twenty-First Century**, edited by Simone Sinn and Michael Reid Trice
- **Letters to a Young Muslim**, by Omar Saif Ghobash
- **America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity**, by Robert Wuthnow
Race and Racial Equity

- **Minor Feelings**, by Cathy Park Hong
- **Undermining Racial Justice: How One University Embraced Inclusion and Inequality**, by Matthew Johnson
- **The Warmth of Other Suns**, by Isabel Wilkerson
- **Not Light, But Fire: How to Lead Meaningful Race Conversations in the Classroom**, by Mathew R. Kay
- **An African American and Latinx History of the United States**, by Paul Ortiz

LGBTQ+ and Heterosexism

- **The Gay Revolution: The Story of the Struggle**, by Lillian Faderman
- **We Are Everywhere: Protest, Power, and Pride in the History of Queer Liberation**, by Matthew Riemer and Leighton Brown
- **Rainbow Milk**, by Paul Mendez
- **Girl, Woman, Other**, by Bernardine Evaristo
- **We Have Always Been Here: A Queer Muslim Memoir**, by Samra Habib

Mental Health and Wellbeing

- **My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies**, by Resmaa Menakem
- **Set Boundaries, Find Peace: A Guide to Reclaiming Yourself**, by Nedra Glover Tawwab
- **The Self-Care Prescription: Powerful Tools to Manage Stress, Reduce Anxiety, & Enhance Well-Being**, by Robyn L. Gobin
- **All About Love: New Visions**, by bell hooks
Gender, Gender Identity, and Sex

- Trans Like Me, by CN Lester
- Our Stories of Growing Up Trans and Changing the World, by Juno Roche
- The Memo: What Women of Color Need to Know to Secure a Seat at the Table, by Minda Harts
- Beyond the Gender Binary, by Alok Vaid-Menon
- We Should All Be Feminists, by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Socioeconomic Status and Classism

- Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents, by Isabel Wilkerson
- I Don’t Want to Die Poor, by Michael Arceneaux
- Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City, by Matthew Desmond

Immigration and Nativism

- An Indigenous Peoples’ History of the United States, by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz
- The Ungrateful Refugee: What Immigrants Never Tell You, by Dina Nayeri
- The Distance Between Us, by Reyna Grande
- Unaccompanied, by Javier Zamora
- There There, by Tommy Orange
Books on Equity

**Equity 101 - The Equity Framework**, by Curtis W. Linton

**Walking the Equity Talk: A Guide for Culturally Courageous Leadership in School Communities**, by John R. Browne

**From Equity Talk to Equity Walk: Expanding Practitioner Knowledge for Racial Justice in Higher Education**, by Tia Brown McNair

**Allies and Advocates: Creating an Inclusive and Equitable Culture**, by Amber Cabral

Additional DEI Books

*This Is Not a Test: A New Narrative on Race, Class, and Education*, by José Luis Vilson

*Lead From Outside: How to Build Your Future and Make Real Change*, by Stacey Abrams

*Black Indian*, by Shonda Buchanan


*WORDS of a MAN: My Right to Be*, by Yusef Salaam

*The Unapologetic Guide for Black Mental Health: Navigate an Unequal System, Learn Tools for Emotional Wellness, and Get the Help you Deserve*, by Dr. Rheeda Walker

*The Politics of Trauma* by Staci Haines