ETHICAL CONCERNS IN CATALOGING

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NAME AUTHORITY RECORDS:
- [Knotts, Don, 1924-2006], ARN 2386914, LCCN n 87922126
- [Trump, Donald, 1946-], ARN 1563023, LCCN n 85387872
- [Weinstein, Harvey, 1952-], ARN 05493407, LCCN no2001040887

SUBJECT AUTHORITY RECORDS:
- [Illegal aliens], ARN 2008377, LCCN sh 85003553 (used for: Illegal immigration. etc.)
- [Children of illegal aliens], ARN 8826543, LCCN sh2011000897
- [Aliens], ARN 2008335, LCCN sh 85003545 (used for: Enemy aliens, Expatriates, Foreigners, Noncitizens, Resident aliens, Unnaturalized foreign residents, etc.; cross-reference from Immigrants)
- [People with disabilities], ARN 2053750, LCCN sh 85058663
- [Developmentally disabled], ARN 2089422, LCCN sh 85037362
- [Autistic people], ARN 8225756, LCCN sh2009007849

POLICY BODIES

- Library of Congress, Cataloging & Acquisitions, [https://www.loc.gov/aba/] provides online access to its cataloging and classification manuals, subject and genre lists and new proposals.

- Library of Congress, Policy and Standards Body, [https://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/queries.html], “provides guidance in the application of cataloging rules, develops documentation to support cataloging policies and practices, monitors cataloging trends, develops new policies to match innovations in cataloging, and contributes to the national and international library community discussions on such matters.”
  - [Subject Heading Manual], [https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeSHM/freeshm.html]
  - Tentative subject lists, [https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/saco/index.html]
  - Genre/Form Headings at the Library of Congress, [https://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/genreformgeneral.html] (LCGFT, etc.)
  - LC Demographic Group Terms (LCDGT), [https://www.loc.gov/aba/publications/FreeLCDGT/freelcdgt.html]
  - Standards, Resource Description Formats, [https://www.loc.gov/librarians/standards]

- ALA Cataloging & Metadata Management Section, 2017 discussions on morals and ethics in cataloging
  - “Ethics of Maintaining LCSH,” by Janis Young
ALA CaMMS Subject Analysis Committee (SAC), http://www.ala.org/alcts/mgrps/camms/cmtes/ats-ccssac, studies and recommends changes to improve subject and genre/form access

ALA CaMMS Committee on Cataloging: Description & Access (CC:DA), http://www.ala.org/alcts/mgrps/camms/cmtes/ats-ccscat, monitors and recommends changes in descriptive cataloging standards

MARC Advisory Committee, https://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/, see for proposed updates, reports, and discussion papers to revise MARC

MARC Subject Heading and Term Source Codes, http://www.loc.gov/standards/sourcelist/subject.html

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PROPOSING SUBJECT HEADINGS
- LC accepts proposals from libraries and other institutions that participate in the Subject Authority Cooperative (SACO) Program. Suggestions for improvement may also be submitted by the general public by emailing the Policy and Standards Division (PSD)

ADDITIONAL READINGS

On Gender in Name Authority Records:

Billey, Amber; Drabinski, Emily; and Roberto, K.R., "What’s Gender Got to Do With It? A Critique of RDA Rule 9.7" (2014). University Libraries Faculty and Staff Publications. 19. https://scholarworks.uvm.edu/libfacpub/19

Thompson, Kelly J., “More Than a Name: A Content Analysis of Name Authority Records for Authors Who Self-Identify as Trans.” Library Resources & Technical Services 60 (3), 2016: 140-155. http://dx.doi.org/10.5860/lrts.60n3.140


Sexual Orientation in LCSH and LCC:


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