

ANTI-RACIST READING LIST

After our discussion on racial bias, here are some recommended readings:

HOW TO BE AN ANTIRACIST by Ibram X. Kendi - One World. A primer for creating a more just and equitable society through identifying and opposing racism.

SO YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT RACE by Ijeoma Oluo - Seal. A look at the contemporary racial landscape of the United States.

THE COLOR OF LAW by Richard Rothstein - Liveright. An examination of the ways in which the government caused residential segregation through racial zoning and other systemic practices.

STAMPED FROM THE BEGINNING by Ibram X. Kendi - Winner of the 2016 National Book Award for nonfiction. A look at anti-black racist ideas and their effect on the course of American history.

ME AND WHITE SUPREMACY by Layla F. Saad - Sourcebooks. Ways to understand and possibly counteract white privilege.

THE NEW JIM CROW by Michelle Alexander - New Press. A law professor takes aim at the “war on drugs,” mass incarceration and their impact on black men.

JUST MERCY by Bryan Stevenson - Spiegel & Grau. A law professor and MacArthur grant recipient’s memoir of his decades of work to free innocent people condemned to death.

BETWEEN THE WORLD AND ME by Ta-Nehisi Coates - Spiegel & Grau - Winner of the 2015 National Book Award for nonfiction. A meditation on race in America as well as a personal story, framed as a letter to the author's teenage son.

THE CASE FOR REPARATIONS by Ta-Nehisi Coates in the Atlantic Magazine. https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2014/06/the-case-for-reparations/361631/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwjer4BRCZARIsABK4QeWxfD9tLUf9r2ev4mFxbjM3qyQtqm9F_1r8Jm9w510kf89EwMTjcaAqbIEALw_wcB