



Human Library Week 2021

Human Book Catalog



Book Title

A Colombian Black Coffee

Synopsis

Countries are presented to the world with their flag as the official national symbol. The colors, shapes, and elements that comprise it, constitute the image a nation wants to give the world. Then come its people, and the aesthetics with which a country wants its citizens to be seen in the world. When you think of Colombia, does the image of a black man come to your mind? Let's break stereotypes.



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Book Title

A Nasty Leader

Synopsis

When I read the article published in the Kentucky Kernel about the organization where I was president, my eyes stopped dead on the words “a nasty leader.” I was being called “a nasty leader.” As a biological and agricultural engineering graduate student at the University of Kentucky, I was used to being in the minority, used to being marginalized but I had never been targeted and spotlighted with such hate.



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Book Title

Brown, Queer and Too Fabulous for You!

Synopsis

So, I jump on the bus and a lady keeps staring at me. I say "Howdy," but there is no response...

What is this look, and why do I keep getting it around school? This has happened to me at the doctor's office with the laughing nurse. It has also happened with the guy who "did not understand" when I was ordering my food. This is, of course, not what I signed up for.

Finally, my stop. I get off the bus and say "have a wonderful day," because I'm too polite to say: "better take a picture, I am brown, queer and too fabulous for you!"



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Book Title

Military, Morals & Transition

Synopsis

The story of an American war veteran. Learn about this Book's transition from the war on terror to the war of acceptance and equality. How do you transition from protect and serve to service only?



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Book Title

Mom, I'm a Dude

Synopsis

This is the story of mental struggle between gender identity and societal views of what gender should be. Fear of being vulnerable to those you love and possibly losing them. The hardships left for a story that refuses to end, and how self love and self-creation is used to carry on.



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Book Title

Outcast in a Christian Nation

Synopsis

I was raised in a Christian home and as I grew up I began to ask questions. Is religion necessary to be a good person? Are religion's answers to big questions better than science's? Is "Because God says so" a good enough answer? I found that, for me, the answers are no, so I became an atheist. The current political climate in the U.S. and in Texas shows less tolerance of non-Christians. While most Christians rightly disown hate crimes perpetrated in the name of religion, microaggressions against non-Christians persist and tell me that I am free to be who I want to be as long as I keep it to myself.



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Book Title

Phailure is the First Step to Success

Synopsis

I graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice in 2016 and spent years trying to find a job. I applied with agencies all over the country, but each time was met with rejection until I was hired by Texas A&M as a police officer. I love my job and want to give back to the TAMU community for helping me achieve my dream.



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Book Title

Quarantined International Aggie

Synopsis

For the past year, many Aggies have stayed home for perhaps the longest period in their lives to help stop the spread of COVID-19. While many Americans had their immediate family members quarantined together, most of the international students quarantined alone. Racism, xenophobia, anti-science sentiment, international travel restrictions, financial uncertainty, emotional stress, and the outrageous number of infections here in the U.S. hit international Aggies in so many different ways. Talk to this book and ask her about the international Aggies' experience during the pandemic.



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Book Title

Tales of a World Traveler

Synopsis

Living and working in more than 25 countries has left me with amazing memories, invaluable experiences and fascinating stories.



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