

## Harmful Content Policy

### Murray Library's Statement on Potentially Harmful Content

The library is committed to supporting the educational work of Messiah University through acquisition of materials appropriate to help students “to attain specialized knowledge and abilities in at least one area of study and to engage in scholarship in a selected, specialized discipline” (Murray Library Mission Statement). We also endorse the Freedom to Read statement from the American Library Association ([https://www.messiah.edu/download/downloads/id/8349/Freedom\\_to\\_Read\\_Statement\\_2021.pdf](https://www.messiah.edu/download/downloads/id/8349/Freedom_to_Read_Statement_2021.pdf)).

### What harmful content may be found?

- Discriminatory and biased language

- Language that offends, excludes, or diminishes people based on age, religion, ethnicity, sexual

