As part of TIE’s plan to curate and publish quarterly resource lists, we are developing more thematically focused reading lists to join our existing library of DEIA resources. For Spring 2022, we examine the intersection of DEIA and voting rights in America. The following books and essays explore who has the right to vote freely, for whom this right is restricted, the myriad ways in which some politicians and their donors are working to limit this right further, and the responses by many Americans to preserve this hallmark of democracy.

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Fighting to Protect Democracy

1. The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream (2006) by Barack Obama
3. Democracy in One Book or Less: How It Works, Why It Doesn't, and Why Fixing It Is Easier Than You Think (2021) by David Litt
5. Fight: How Gen Z Is Channeling Their Fear and Passion to Save America (2022) by John Della Volpe
6. The Fight to Vote (2016) by Michael Waldman

Race and Politics

1. “Appeal to Congress for Impartial Suffrage” (1867) by Frederick Douglass
3. American Civilization (1993) by C. L. R. James, ed. by Anna Grimshaw and Keith Hart
4. “The Ballot or the Bullet” (1964) by Malcolm X
7. Lifting as We Climb: Black Women’s Battle for the Ballot Box (2020) by Evette Dionne
14. Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community? (2010, orig. published 1967) by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
15. White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of Our Racial Divide (2016) by Carol Anderson

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Voter Suppression


Incarceration

Given that almost all US states restrict voting rights specifically for people who are incarcerated, and in some cases even for those who are on parole or probation, incarceration serves as a very particular form of voter suppression. The following books explore this issue in depth:


According to *The New York Times*, there is increased interest in materials about race and racism. At the request from many TIE readers, we will provide you a quarterly curated list of DEIA resources. Many thanks to our contributors for curating this outstanding list.

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