Black Lives Matter

Despite the fact that we cannot be together in-person at this time, the Swarthmore College Libraries stand with Black students, faculty, and staff. We commit to making all aspects of the libraries – the services, the collections, the spaces - more inclusive and equitable. We are working to educate ourselves about the many complex issues related to 400 plus years of harm against Black people, to understand how those of us who are White have benefitted from White privilege, and to reflect on how we can best approach the anti-racist work we all need to do, while acknowledging that this work will require different levels of energy depending on our proximity to privilege. Many of us have begun taking action and educating ourselves to do better and we resolve to continue to do more in the future.

This past weekend the provost, Sarah Willie-LeBreton, posted some of her reading recommendations. This library guide includes access to these works alongside other anti-racism resources.

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