

2024 UWF Reading Program Books

Education for Mission	Type	Topic	Price	Library Availability
30 Days with E Stanley Jones by John Harnish		missionary life	\$20	
The 1619 Project by Nikole Hannah Jones	BB	slavery legacy	\$20	All libraries have copies, LP, ebooks & audio books
The Book of Rosy: Mother's Story of Separation at the Border by Rosayra Pablo Cruz & Julie Schwieter		Immigration	\$15	Co(5); SJ(2); SC(1); SV(2) +eBook & audio
Child, Church and Mission by Dan Brewster	KO	children's ministry		
The Death and Life of Aida Hernandez: A Border Story by Aaron Bobrow-Strain		Immigration	\$20	Co(4); SJ(5); SC(1); SV(2) + audio
Defiant: What Women of Exodus Teach Us about Freedom by Kelly Nikondeha		OT women	\$20	SC ebook on Hoopla
The House That Love Built: Why I Opened my Door to Immigrants & Found Hope by Sarah Jackson		accepting immigrants	\$10	Co(1); SC(1)
How Beautiful We Were: a Novel by Imbolo Mbue		Africa colonialism	\$15	Co(8);SJ(3); SC(1);SV(1); MT(2); LP/eBook/audio
I'm Black, I'm Christian, I'm Methodist by Rudy Rasmus (B)	BB	racism in church	\$17	
Invisible Child: Poverty, Survival & Hope in an American City by Andrea Elliot		homeless	\$16	Co(6); SJ(5); SC(1); SV(1) MT(2) +eBook / audio
Let Your Light Shine: Mobilizing for Justice with Children & Youth by Reginald Blount & Virginia Lee		Children's Defense Fund	\$22	
Apple: Skin to the Core by Eric Gansworth	YT	native Americans	\$11	Co(6); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(1) MT(2) +eBook / audio
They Called Us Enemy (graphic) by George Takei	YT SP	Japanese internment	\$10	All libraries have many copies + ebooks
Thirty Talks Weird Love by Alessandra Varela	YT	empathy/depression	\$19	Co(6); SJ(aud); SC(3); SV(2); MT(1) +audio/ebook
The 1619 Project: Born on the Water by Nikole Hannah-Jones (C)	CH	slavery-pic. Book	\$8	Co(12), SJ(24), SC(2), SV(3), MT(2)+eBook/audio
Blue: A History of the Color as Deep as the Sea and as Wide as the Sky by Nana Ekua Brew-Hammond	CH	diversity	\$17	Co(3); SC(2); SV(1); MT(1)
Cycle of Rice, Cycle of Life: A Story of Sustainable Farming by Jan Reynolds	CH SP	sustainable farming	\$13	Co(3); SC(1)
The Mangrove Tree: Planting Trees to Feed Families by Susan Roth & Cindy Trumbore	CH SP	Africa ecology	\$11	Co(3); SJ(4); SV(2); MT(1)
Stepping Stones: A Refugee Family's Journey by Margriet Ruurs (C)	CH	Syrian refugees	\$19	Co(5); SJ(29); SC(1); Sv(2); MT(1); eBook

Leadership Development

Beautiful Country: Memoir by Qian Julie Wang		undocumented immigration	\$14	Co(8); SJ(8); SC(3); SV(1) MT(1) +ebook/audio
Becoming Brave: Finding Courage to Pursue Racial Justice Now by Brenda Salter McNeil		activism	\$14	Co(2); SJ(3); SC(eBook on Hoopla)
Carved in Ebony: Lessons from the Black Women Who Shape Us by Jasmine Holmes		black changemakers	\$13	Co(2); SJ(eBook); SC(eBook on Hoopla)
Fierce Love: A Bold Path to Ferocious Courage and Rule-Breaking Kindness by Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis		ubuntu empathy	\$15	Co(3); SJ(2); SC(1); SV(1) MT(1)
For Brown Girls with Sharp Edges and Tender Hearts by Prisca Dorcas Mojica Rodriguez		women of color	\$18	Co(5); SJ(3); SC(Hoopla); SV(1); MT(1) eBook&audio
High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Get Out by Amanda Ripley		conflict	\$12	Co(7); SJ(2); SC(1); SV(1) MT(1) +audio/ebook
How Women Transform Preaching by Leonora Tubbs Tisdale		women in ministry	\$26	
I Am a Girl from Africa: Memoir of Power, Community & Hope by Elizabeth Nyamayano		malnutrition	\$12	Co(2); SJ(2)+CD; SC(1); MT(1)
Invisible: Theology & the Experience of Asian American Women by Grace Ji-Sun Kim		racism / sexism	\$26	SC(eBook on Hoopla)
Lead From the Outside: How to Build Your Future & Make Real Change by Stacey Abrams		outsider leadership	\$9	Co(6); SJ(9); SC(2); MT(1) + eBook & audio

The Purpose of Power: How We Come Together When We Fall Apart by Alicia Garza		activism	\$16	Co(4); SJ(2); SC(2); SV(2); MT(1) +eBook & audio
Our Strangely Warmed Hearts by Karen Oliveto	BB	LGBTQ ministers	\$10	
Too Soon Old, Too Late Smart by Gordon Livingston	KO	life wisdom	\$10	Co(1); SJ(1); SC(Kor); MT(1)
You've Been Chosen: Thriving Through the Unexpected by Cynt Marshall		Overcoming hardship	\$17	Co(3); SJ(2); SC(1)
Carved in Ebony: YA Edition by Jasmine Holmes	YT	black leaders	\$15	
Notable Native People: 50 Indigenous Leaders, Dreamers & Changemakers by Adrienne Keene	YT	native leaders	\$15	Co(12); SJ(20); SC(5); SV(1); MT(2)
I am Golden by Eva Chen	CH	Chinese immigrants	\$9	Co(8); SJ(24); SC(2); SV(3); MT(2) +audio
The Proudest Blue: Story of Hijab and Family by Ibtihaj Muhammad & S.K. Ali	CH	Muslim hijabs	\$12	Co(12); SJ(32); SC(4); SV(3); MT(1)+eBook/audio
Who is Florence Price? by students of the Special Music School, Kaufman Music Center (C)	CH	racism / sexism	\$11	Co(2)

Nurturing For Community

A Little Piece of Light: Memoir of Hope, Prison & Life Unbound by Donna Hylton		abuse / prison	\$9	Co(1); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(1)
The ABCs of Diversity: Helping Kids Embrace Our Difference by Carolyn Helsel & Joy Harris-Smith		parenting	\$9	Co(3); SJ(eBook); SC(1)
Blessed Youth: Breaking the Silence about Mental Illness w/ Children & Teens by Sarah Lund		youth mental illness	\$15	
Choosing Us: Marriage & Mutual Flourishing in a World of Difference by Gail Song Bantum & Brian		marriage	\$14	
Crying in H Mart by Michelle Zauner		mother-daughter	\$12	All libraries have many
In My Grandmother's House: Black Women, Faith & Stories We Inherit by Yolanda Pierce		Black liberation	\$18	SC(eBook on Hoopla)
The Loneliness Epidemic: Why so many of us Feel Alone by Susan Mettes		loneliness	\$13	SC(eBook on Hoopla)
Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay & a Mother's Will to Survive by Stephanie Land		working poor	\$12	Co(14); SJ(14); SC(4); SV(4); MT(2) +eBK/audio/LP
Prey Tell: Why We Silence Women Who Tell the Truth by Tiffany Bluhm		sexual harrassment	\$10	Co(5); SC(1); MT(2)
The Seed Keeper: Novel by Diane Wilson		native identity	\$16	Co(3); SJ(2); SC(1); MT(1)
The Three Mothers: How Mothers of MLK Jr, Malcolm X, James Baldwin Shaped a Nation by Anna Malaika Tubbs		black motherhood	\$11	Co(3); SJ(5); SC(1); SV(2) MT(1) eBook & audio
Truth's Table: Black Women's Musings on Life, Love & Liberation by Ekemini Uwan, Christina Edmondson &		black spirituality	\$14	Co(3); SJ(4); SC(1) +audio
Andale, Prieta!: A Love Letter to my Family by Yasmin Ramirez		strong women of color	\$13	Co(3)
Blessed Youth: Survival Guide by Sarah Griffith Lund	YT	youth issues	\$4	
Everything Comes Next: Collected Poems	YT	poetry	\$7	Co(6); SJ(10); SC(Hoopla)
Home is Not a Country by Safia Elhillo	YT	cultural identity	\$11	Co(5); SJ(6); SC(1); SV(1); MT(1) +audio
House of Sticks: A Memoir by Ly Tran	YT	immigration	\$14	Co(1); SJ(4); SC(1); SV(1) MT(1) +eBook/audio/LP
Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga	YT	immigration	\$8	Co(14); SJ(31); SC(4); SV(4); MT(2) +eBK/audio
Alicia and the Hurricane: Story of Puerto Rico by Leslea Newman	CH SP	hurricanes	\$20	SJ(4)
Josie Dances by Denise Lajimodiere	CH	native powwow	\$13	Co(6); SJ(15); MT(1)
Juna and Appa by Jane Park	CH	father-daughter	\$18	Co(5); SJ(25); SC(1); SV(3); MT(1)
Milo Imagines the World by Matt de la Pena	CH	Prejudice	\$12	Co(21); SJ(35); SC(4); SV(5); MT(1) eBook&audio
See You Soon by Mariame Kaba	CH	Mom in jail	\$11	Co(8)

Social Action

As Long as Grass Grows: Indigenous Fight for Environmental Justice by Dina Gilio-Whitaker		environmental justice	\$12	Co(8); SC(1); SV(1); MT(1)
Beating Guns: Hope for People who are Weary of Violence by Shaine Caliborne & Michael Martin		gun violence	\$8	Co(4); SJ(4); SC(1); MT(1) +eBook/audio
The Color of Compromise: American Church's Complicity w/ Racism by Jemar Tisby		church & racism	\$21	Co(3); SJ(7); SC(1); SV(1) +eBook/audio
Conditional Citizens: On Belonging in America by Laila Lalami		immigration	\$13	Co(2); SJ(4); SC(1); MT(1) +eBook/audio
Ecowomanism: African American Women & Earth-Honoring Faiths by Melanie Harris		ecology	\$24	
Ghosts in the Schoolyard: Racism & School Closings on Chicago's South Side by Eve Ewing		racism in schools	\$14	Co(2); SC(1)
Me and White Supremacy: Combat Racism, Change the World & Become a Good Ancestor by Layla Saad		white privilege	\$12	Co(4); SJ(6); SC(1); SV(1) MT(2) +eBook/audio
The Nickel Boys by Colson Whitehead		youth incarceration	\$12	All libraries have many
The Rage of Innocence: How America Criminalizes Black Youth by Kristin Henning		black youth incarceration	\$16	Co(4); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(1)
Saving Us: Climate Scientist's Case for Hope & Healing in a Divided World by Katherine Hayhoe		climate justice	\$23	Co(5); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(1) MT(1) +eBook
The Sum of US: What Racism Costs Everyone by Heather McGhee		costs of racism	\$16	Co(12); SJ(13); SC(1); SV(1); MT(2) +eBook/audio
Until I am Free: Fannie Lou Hamer's Enduring Message to America by Keisha Blain		social justice	\$13	Co(2); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(eB) +eBook/audio
Willful Defiance: The Movement to Dismantle the School-to-Prison Pipeline by Mark Warren		school-to-prison pipeline	\$21	
Echoes of Grace by Guadalupe Garcia McCall	YT	family relations	\$19	Co(6); SV(1); MT(1)
Running by Natalia Sylvester	YT	privacy	\$10	Co(6); SV(1 +eB);
Kids Fight Climate Change by Martin Dorey	CH	climate change	\$17	SC(1); SV(2)
Saving American Beach: Bio. of African American Environmentalist Mavynee Betsch by Heidi T King	CH	environmentalist opera singer	\$14	Co(6); SJ(4); SV(1); MT(2)
We Are Water Protectors by Carole Lindstrom	CH SP	water activism	\$12	Co(20); SJ(49); SC(6); SV(2); MT(2) +eBook/audio
You Have a Voice by Vera Ahijya (C)	CH	speaking up	\$15	SJ(25); SV(3); MT(1)

Spiritual Growth

Abuelita Faith: What Women on the Margins Teach Us by Kay Armas	SP	Poverty	\$18	Co(4) + eBook SC(Hoopla eBook)
Bipolar Faith: Black Woman's Journey w/ Depression & Faith by Monica Coleman		Racism & Bipolarity	\$20	SC(Hoopla eBook)
Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge & Teachings of Plants by Robin Kimmerer	BB	ecology	\$13	All libraries have many copies + eBook & audio
Church of the Wild: How Nature Invites us into the Sacred by Victoria Looz		nature	\$15	SC(Hoopla eBook)
Colors of Hope: Devotional Journal from LGBTQ+ Christians by Melissa Loy		LGBTQIA+ devotions	\$16	
The Cure for Sorrow: Book of Blessings for Times of Grief by Jan Richardson		grief	\$16	
Entering the Passion of Jesus: Beginner's Guide to Holy Week by Amy-Jill Levine		Holy week	\$15	SC(Hoopla eBook)
Glory in the Margins: Sunday Poems by Nikki Grimes		hope & despair	\$19	Co(2)
Land of Silence: Novel by Tessa Afshar		woman healed by Jesus	\$14	Co(2)+audio; SJ(4)+LP; SC(1)+eBook
Red Lip Theology: For Church Girls Who've Considered Tithing to the Beauty Supply Store by Candace Benbow		body image	\$21	Co(2); SC(1)
The Seeker and the Monk: Conversations with Thomas Merton by Sophronia Scott		mystical activism	\$18	SC(Hoopla eBook)
This Here Flesh: Spirituality, Liberation Stories that Make Us by Cole Riley		life story lessons	\$15	Co(2)+eBook/audio; SJ(5); SC(1); SV(1); MT(1)

We Go On: Finding Purpose in all of Life's Sorrows & Joys by John Onwuchekwa		Ecclesiastes	\$7	
The Wisdom of Your Body by Hillary McBride		body image	\$15	SJ(2); SC(1)+Hoopla eBook
Womanist Midrash: Reintroduction to women of Torah & the Throne by Wilda Gafney		OT women	\$23	
Worth It: Overcome Your Fears and Embrace the Life You were Made For by Britt Baron		nonconformance in the church	\$5	SC(Hoopla eBook)
Why Do I Feel Like This?: Understand Difficult Emotions & Grace to Move Through by Peace Amadi		difficult emotions	\$10	Co(3); SC(Hoopla eBook);
Braiding Sweetgrass for Young Adults by Robin Kimmerer	YT	ecology	\$16	Co(9); SJ(3); SC(1); SV(1) MT(1) +eBook & audio
All Will be Well: Learning to Trust God's Love by Lacy Borgo	CH	trusting God	\$17	SC(Hoopla eBook)
The Good for Nothing Tree by Amy-Jill Leine & Sandy Sasso	CH	fig tree parable	\$16	Co(3); SC(Hoopla eBook);
I Am You: Book about Ubuntu by Refiloe Moahioli	CH	Connection	\$10	Co(8); SC(2); SV(2); MT(1)
Wonder Awaits! By Caroline Hamilton Arnold	CH	creation	\$9	SC(Hoopla eBook)

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Type: BB = Bonus Book (count in 2 categories)

YT = Suitable for youth

CH = Suitable for children

LP = Available in large print

KO = Also available in Korean

SP = Also available in Spanish

MS = Study book for Mission u

Price:

Prices listed are from Amazon.com.

Library: Co: Santa Clara County library system

SJ: San Jose City library system

SC: Santa Clara City Library

SV: Sunnyvale Library

MT: Monterey County library system

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