

Controversial Materials in Libraries

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Book Arts Cookbooks Africana
Agricultural History European History & Culture Ethnic Studies
MSU Special Collections Literature
Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Popular Culture
History of Veterinary Medicine Men's Movement Radicalism
Fencing and Dueling Natural History

crude humor
suicide manuals
antisemitism **controversial genres**
pornography
Holocaust denial glbt erotica
hate literature obscenity

A word cloud of stakeholder groups. The words are arranged in a roughly triangular shape, with 'stakeholders' at the bottom and 'alumni' at the top. The colors include dark red, yellow, green, and orange. The words are: alumni, faculty, future generations, peer institutions, local residents, students, researchers, library staff, and stakeholders.

alumni
faculty future generations
peer institutions local residents
students researchers library staff
stakeholders

neutrality censorship
libraries archives expurgation
differing viewpoints
censorship
historical record historians community interests
restricted access
labeling
expurgation
collection of record
libraries community interests parental choice historians
the academy collection of record differing viewpoints
the academy
labeling archives historical record
the community parental choice
restricted access
neutrality

whose values do we live by?