

# BROAD VOCABULARY: ALTERNATE VOCABULARIES IN ARCHIVESSPACE

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# CONTROLLED VOCABULARIES



Frees, Harry Whittier, photographer. The Entanglement. ,  
ca. 1914. June 24. Photograph.  
<https://www.loc.gov/item/2013648272/>.

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SUBJECT RECORDS IN ARCHIVESSPACE





A Subject Heading	Source	☑ Harmful?	☰ Topical Area
Indians of North America.	LCSH	✓	Indigenous Communities
Sexual minorities.	LCSH	✓	Gender and Sexuality
Homeless persons  z Maryland  z Baltimore.	LCSH	☑	Housing and Poverty
Poor  z United States	LCSH	✓	Housing and Poverty
Poor  z New York (State)  z New York.	LCSH	✓	Housing and Poverty
Homeless persons  z New York (State)  z New York.	LCSH	✓	Housing and Poverty
Prostitutes -- New York (State) -- New York.	LCSH	✓	Gender and Sexuality <span>Cri</span>
Prostitutes  x Civil rights.	LCSH	✓	Gender and Sexuality <span>Cri</span>
Prostitutes  x Human rights.	LCSH	✓	Gender and Sexuality <span>Cri</span>
Homeless persons.	LCSH	✓	Housing and Poverty
Sexual minorities  z United States.	LCSH	✓	Gender and Sexuality

CRIME

GENDER  
AND  
SEXUALITY

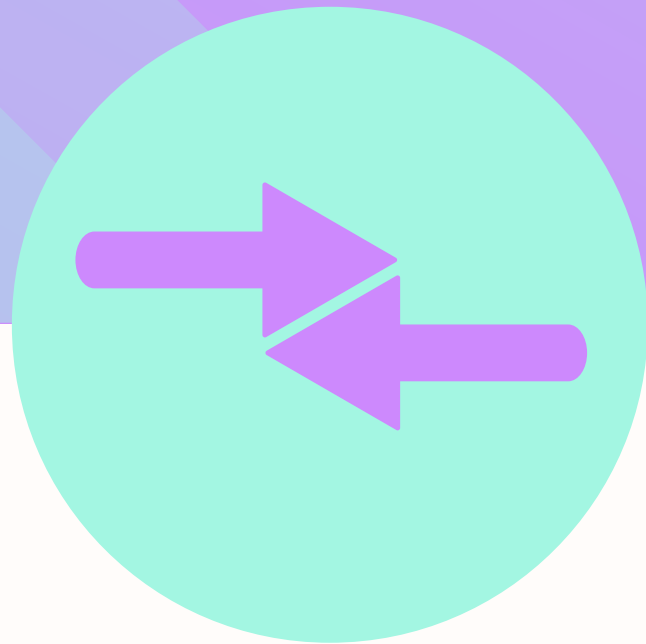
HOUSING  
AND  
POVERTY

INDIGENEITY

RACE AND  
ETHNICITY

DEFAULT  
IDENTITIES

# TYPES OF ISSUES



Clear 1-1  
Replacements

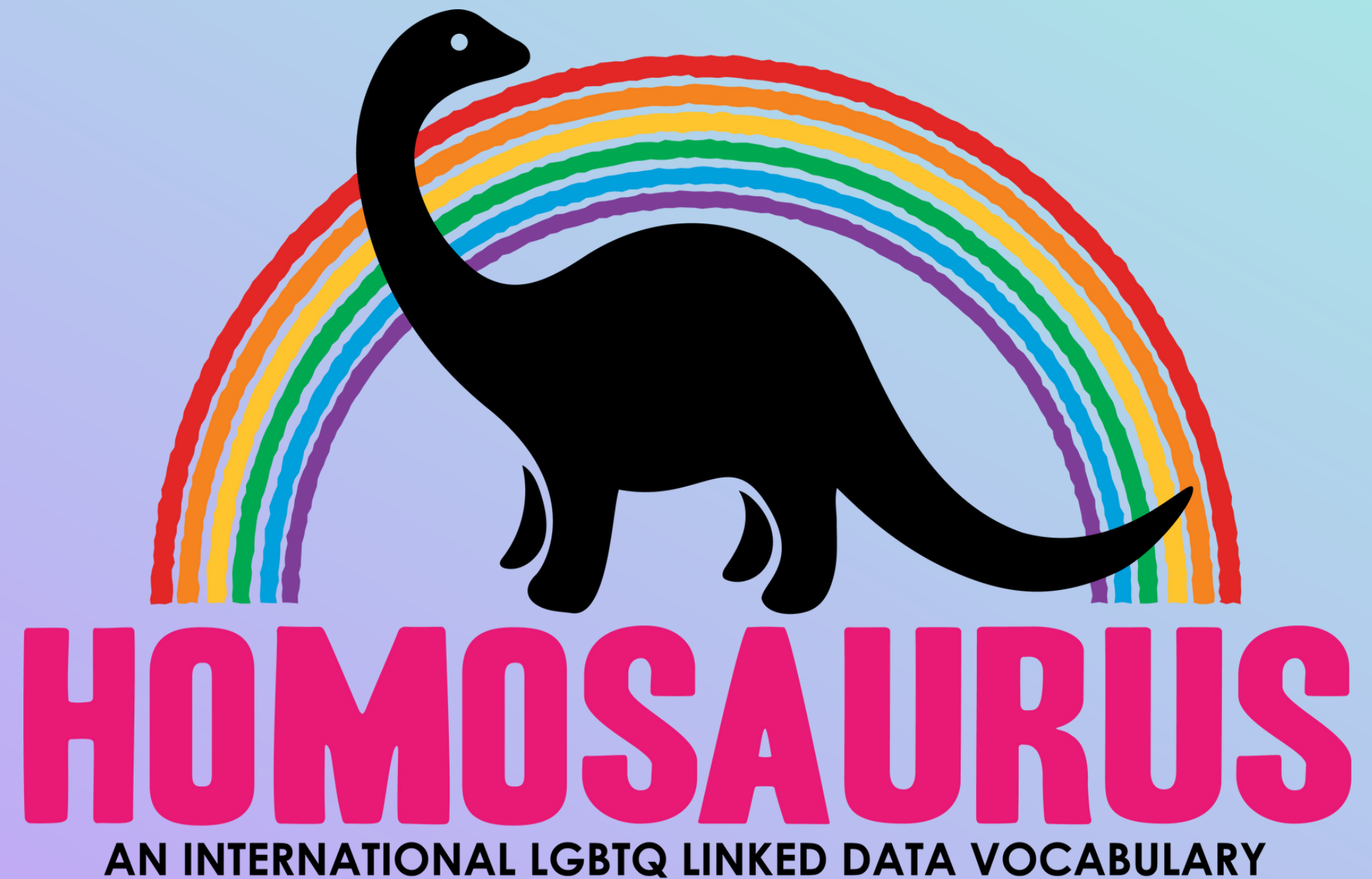


Require Research or  
Collaborative Decision



Address Through Local  
Practice

# ALTERNATE VOCABULARIES





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Manage Users

Manage Controlled Value Lists

System Information

Manage Container Profiles

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Create Subject

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List Name

Please select a Controlled Value List

- Note Rights Statement Act Type (note\_rights\_statement\_act\_type)
- Note Rights Statement Type (note\_rights\_statement\_type)
- Note Singlepart Type (note\_singlepart\_type)
- Record Control Agency Code Type (agency\_code\_type)
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- Record Control Government Agency Type (government\_agency\_type)
- Record Control Identifier Type (identifier\_type)
- Record Control Level of Detail (level\_of\_detail)
- Record Control Maintenance Agent Type (maintenance\_agent\_type)
- Record Control Maintenance Event Type (maintenance\_event\_type)
- Record Control Maintenance Status (maintenance\_status)
- Record Control Modified Type (modified\_record)
- Record Control Name Type (name\_type)
- Record Control Publication Status (publication\_status)
- Record Control Reference Evaluation (reference\_evaluation)
- Resource Finding Aid Description Rules (resource\_finding\_aid\_description\_rules)
- Resource Finding Aid Status (resource\_finding\_aid\_status)
- Resource Resource Type (resource\_resource\_type)
- Rights Statement Act Restriction (rights\_statement\_act\_restriction)
- Rights Statement Act Type (rights\_statement\_act\_type)
- Rights Statement External Document Identifier Type (rights\_statement\_external\_document\_identifier\_type)
- Rights Statement IP Status (rights\_statement\_ip\_status)
- Rights Statement Other Rights Basis (rights\_statement\_other\_rights\_basis)
- Rights Statement Rights Type (rights\_statement\_rights\_type)
- Romanization (romanization)
- Subject Source (subject\_source)**
- Subject Term Type (subject\_term\_type)
- Telephone Number Type (telephone\_number\_type)
- Transliteration (transliteration)

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List Name

Subject Source (subject\_source)

Create Value

## Controlled Value List: Subject Source (subject\_source)

Value	Translation	Position	Suppress	Default		
aat	Art & Architecture Thesaurus	0 			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>	584 related items.
lcsh	Library of Congress Subject Headings	1  			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>	8223 related items.
mesh	Medical Subject Headings	2  			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>	5 related items.
homoit	Homosaurus	3  			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>	19 related items.
local	Local sources	4  			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>	8276 related items.

List Name

Subject Source (subject\_source)

Create Value

### Controlled Value List: Subject Source (subject\_source)

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lcsh	Library of Congress Subject Headings	1 ↑ ↓			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a> 8223 related items.
mesh	Medical Subject Headings	2 ↑ ↓			<a href="#">Set as Default</a> <a href="#">Suppress</a> <a href="#">Merge</a> <a href="#">Delete</a> 5 related items.

## Create Value

Name \*

subject\_source

Value \*

homoit

Create Value

Cancel

Save

# New Subject Subject ?

## Basic Information ?

Authority ID

**Source \***

- ✓ Art & Architecture Thesaurus
- Library of Congress Subject Headings
- Medical Subject Headings
- homoit**
- Local sources

Scope Note



Save

# New Subject Subject ?

## Basic Information ?

Authority ID

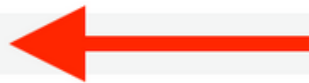
**Source \***

- ✓ Art & Architecture Thesaurus
- Library of Congress Subject Headings
- Medical Subject Headings
- Homosaurus**
- Local sources

Scope Note



archivesspace		--	Folder
archivesspace.bat	813 bytes		Batch File
archivesspace.sh	5 KB		Shell Sc...t (Bash)
> reports	--		Folder
> clustering	--		Folder
ARCHIVESSPACE_VERSION	6 bytes		Document
COPYING	748 bytes		Document
README.md	3 KB		Markdown File
> wars	--		Folder
> stylesheets	--		Folder
> solr	--		Folder
> scripts	--		Folder
> plugins	--		Folder
> logs	--		Folder
▼ locales	--		Folder
pt.yml	3 bytes		YAML
ja.yml	175 KB		YAML
it.yml	3 KB		YAML
fr.yml	166 KB		YAML
es.yml	165 KB		YAML
en.yml	154 KB		YAML
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▼ enums	--		Folder
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en.yml	61 KB		YAML
de.yml	63 KB		YAML
> lib	--		Folder
> launcher	--		Folder



548 subject\_source:  
549 aat: "Art & Architecture Thesaurus"  
550 cash: Canadian Subject Headings  
551 gmGPC: "TGM II, Genre and physical characteristic terms"  
552 ingest: Unspecified ingested source  
553 lcsh: Library of Congress Subject Headings  
554 lcshac: Library of Congress Children's Subject Headings  
555 local: Local sources  
556 mesh: Medical Subject Headings  
557 nal: National Agricultural Library subject headings  
558 rbgenr: "Genre Terms: A Thesaurus for Use in Rare Book and Special Collections Cataloguing"  
559 rvm: Répertoire de vedettes-matière  
560 ram: Répertoire d'autorités RAMEAU  
561 tgn: Getty Thesaurus of Geographic Names  
562 lcgft: Library of Congress Genre/Form Terms  
563 homoit: Homosaurus  
564 wikidata: Wikidata  
565 unescot: UNESCO Thesaurus

Save

Merge ▾

Delete

# Undocumented immigrants

Subject



Subject Saved



## Basic Information



Authority ID

(mesh)D000069756

Source \*

Medical Subject Headings

Scope Note

Foreign nationals residing in a country without legal immigration status, or in violation of the immigration laws of that country. This heading is used intentionally as an alternative to LCSH "illegal aliens."

## \* Terms and Subdivisions

Add Term/Subdivision



Term \*

Undocumented Immigrants



Type \*

Topical

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# CASE STUDY



# GAPIMNY RECORDS



# Library of Congress

# Homosaurus

## *Pacific Islander American sexual minorities*

**LC control no.** sh2005007012

**Topical heading** Pacific Islander American sexual minorities  
*Browse this term in [LC Authorities](#) or the [LC Catalog](#)*

**Variant(s)** Sexual minorities, Pacific Islander American

**See also** Sexual minorities--United States  
*Browse this term in [LC Authorities](#)*

**Found in** Work cat.: Dang, A. Asian Pacific American lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, c2005: p. ii (APA LGBT people) p. 1 ("The lives of APA LGBT people involve a complex web of issues arising from being sexual, racial/ethnic, language, gender, immigrant, and economic minorities.")

## Pacific Islander American LGBTQ+ people (<https://homosaurus.org/v3/homoit0001812>)

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### Identifier

homoit0001812

### Preferred Term

Pacific Islander American LGBTQ+ people

[English](#)

### Alternative Term (Use For)

LGBTQ+ Pacific Islander American people

[English](#)

LGBTQ+ Pacific Islander Americans

[English](#)

Pacific Islander American people (LGBTQ)

[English](#)

Pacific Islander Americans (LGBTQ)

[English](#)

### Description (Scope Note)

LGBTQ+ people who identify as both Pacific Islanders (or of Pacific Islander ancestry) and American

# Subjects

## Authority ID

## Subject Heading

(homoit)homoit0000006

📁 Emigration and immigration law -- United States.

(homoit)homoit0000297

🌐 Web sites.

(homoit)homoit0000356

📁 LGBTQ+ activism

(homoit)homoit0000614

📁 LGBTQ+ communities

(homoit)homoit0000860

📁 LGBTQ+ discrimination

(homoit)homoit0000877

📁 Health care for LGBTQ+ people

(homoit)homoit0000883

📁 LGBTQ+ people in ethnic groups

(homoit)homoit0001101

📁 LGBTQ+ health education

(homoit)homoit0000073

📁 LGBTQ+ immigration rights

(homoit)homoit0001812

📁 LGBTQ+ people of colour

📁 Asian American LGBTQ+ people

📁 Pacific Islander American LGBTQ+ people

# WHERE WE ARE



Original term	Current term
Brothers and sisters	Siblings
Illegal aliens	Undocumented immigrants
Prostitutes	Sex workers
Sexual minorities	LGBTQ+ people
Sexual minorities -- Political activity	LGBTQ+ activism



# MORE WORK TO COME!



## TERMS THAT REQUIRE RESEARCH AND COLLABORATION

Example: Indians of North America

## TERMS BEST ADDRESSED THROUGH LOCAL PRACTICE

Example: Women authors



**LESSONS  
LEARNED**

START WITH YOUR COLLECTIONS

LIMIT NUMBER OF VOCABULARIES

NO VOCABULARY IS PERFECT

ROLE OF LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

THANKS!

QUESTIONS?

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