

We in the Africana Studies Program at the University of Arizona wish to express our support for the community actions and engagements in Tucson and around the world in response to the gruesome murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis last month. The Africana Studies Program stands in solidarity with all those who are championing the cause of equality, justice, and inclusion around the globe. We believe we are part of the solution and in an effort to help address inequities in our society, we are committed to educating our students through our wide selections of courses on the Black experience that have remained contemporarily relevant. We strongly believe that freedom of expression and inquiry are not only endemic to the academic enterprise, but are also fundamental to the discovery and dissemination of knowledge. Our range of courses offer students from all cultural backgrounds full and equal opportunity to pursue personal and intellectual growth in a learning environment that reflects the diverse world we live in. We shall remain at forefront of diversity at the University of Arizona and continue to be an ally in the global struggle for equity, justice, and inclusion.