

Responding to campus protester

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EMU Community,

As we began our semester yesterday in Convocation, we celebrated the essence of EMU community, rooted in love for one another from lessons of our Provost. In the Fall, we affirmed the incredible solidarity we are capable of with each other when we faced a similar situation. Again at the start of a semester, we have a protester on campus.

EMU remains in solidarity with all of our LGBTQ+ community. This is what we strive for at EMU: to be in community with each other, embrace difference, respect others, and affirm our values of inclusivity and belonging.

Let's prioritize two things: caring for members of our community directly impacted by this offensive messaging and exercising our power to continue to do what we do and how we are with each other. If you want to be present with one another, campus leaders will linger in the Student Union today for presence and community.

If the protester verbally or physically engages in behavior that disrupts your safe movement around campus, call or text campus safety at 540-432-4911.

We will overcome negative disruption with loving connection.

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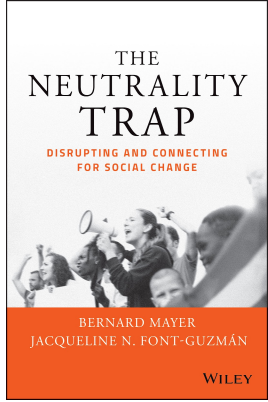
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"My silences had not protected me. Your silence will not protect you." - Audre Lorde

The Neutrality Trap: Disrupting and Connecting for Social Change by Bernie Mayer and Jacqueline N. Font-Guzmán is now available: [here](#) and [here](#) in the US, and [here](#) and [here](#) in Canada.



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