

Trans Literature Research Project - Primary Text Options

For the Trans Literature Research Project, you will choose a primary text that significantly addresses or includes transgender issues and/or characters that interests you and then construct an interpretative argument about how that text engages with trans identities and transition narratives.

You are welcome to choose a text from the list below or an outside text (provided you discuss it with me first).

Note: Many of these authors listed below have published multiple books that would work for this project, so a little Library Catalog and/or Internet searching is definitely welcome!

Also, sometimes the Library Catalog doesn't properly index audiobooks. So, if you would like to listen to an audiobook version of any of the texts below, it's always a good idea to directly search for the title in [Overdrive/Libby](#).

For additional text options, I highly recommend following Gay's the Word, the oldest queer bookshop in London on social media: <https://www.gaystheword.co.uk/>.

- Abi-Karam, Andrea and Kay Gabriel. *We Want It All : An Anthology of Radical Trans Poetics*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Al-Kadhi, Amrou. *Life as a Unicorn: A Journey from Shame to Pride and Everything in Between*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Aoki, Ryka. *Light from Uncommon Stars*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Benaway, Gwen, editor. *Maiden, Mother, Crone: Fantastical Trans Femmes*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Belc, Krys Malcolm. *The Natural Mother of the Child: A Memoir of Nonbinary Parenthood*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Binnie, Imogen. *Nevada*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Boylan, Jennifer Finney. *Long Black Veil: A Novel*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Cheng Thom, Kai. *Fierce Femmes and Notorious Liars: A Dangerous Trans Girl's Confabulous Memoir*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Cipri, Nino. *Finna*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Chambers, Becky. *A Psalm for the Wild-Built (Monk & Robot, 1)*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
- Coyote, Ivan. *One in Every Crowd: Stories*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog](#).
(also check out Coyote's other work)

- Daniels, April. *Dreadnought*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Driskill, Qwo-Li, et al., editors. *Sovereign Erotics: A Collection of Two-Spirit Literature*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Emezi, Akwaeke. *Pet*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Fitzpatrick, Cat. *The Call-Out: A Novel in Rhyme*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Fitzpatrick, Cat and Casey Plett, editors. *Meanwhile, Elsewhere: Science Fiction and Fantasy from Transgender Writers*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Fu, Kim Fu. *For Today I Am a Boy*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
Please note that this text is problematic
- Gold, Rachel. *Being Emily, Just Girls, and Nico and Tucker*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Gratton, Tessa. *Moon Dark Smile*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Grove, Emma. *The Third Person*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Imbler, Sabrina. *My Life in Sea Creatures: A Young Queer Science Writer's Reflections on Identity and the Ocean*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Kay, Jackie. *Trumpet*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Kelly, Anita. *Love & Other Disasters*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Killjoy, Margaret. *The Barrow Will Send What It May*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Kobabe, Maia. *Gender Queer: A Memoir*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Lam, Laura. *Pantomime*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Lawlor, Andrea. *Paul Takes the Form of a Mortal Girl*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Lorka, Holly. *Handsome: Stories of an Awkward Girl Boy*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)

- Martin, Ellis and Zach Ozma, editors. *We Both Laughed in Pleasure: The Selected Diaries of Lou Sullivan, 1961-1991*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Mock, Janet. *Redefining Realness: My Path to Womanhood, Identity, Love & So Much More and Surpassing Certainty: What My Twenties Taught Me*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Nicholson, Hope, et al., editors. *Love beyond Body, Space, and Time: An Indigenous LGBT Sci-Fi Anthology*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- O'Hara, Jean, editor. *Two-Spirit Acts: Queer Indigenous Performances*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Page, Elliot. *Pageboy: A Memoir*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Plett, Casey. *Little Fish and A Safe Girl to Love*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Porter, Chana. *The Seep*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Talusan, Meredith. *Fairest: A Memoir*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Thomas, Aiden. *Cemetery Boys and The Sunbearer Trials*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Rosenberg, Jordy. *Confessions of the Fox*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)
- Whitehead, Joshua, editor. *Love After the End: An Anthology of Two-Spirit & Indigiqueer Speculative Fiction*.
[View in the UWM Library Catalog.](#)