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Vocabulary List

Affirmative Action

Conservative

Controversial

Devout

Encountering

Harassment

Seminary

Glossary

Affirmative Action: noun; referring to various government policies that aim to increase the proportion of African Americans, women, and other minorities in jobs and educational institutions historically dominated by white men.

Conservative: adjective; disposed to preserve existing conditions and institutions or to restore traditional ones, and to limit change.

Controversial: adjective; pertaining to a dispute, argument, or debate, especially one concerning a matter about which there is strong disagreement and especially one carried on in public or in the press.

Devout: adjective; devoted to divine worship or service; religious; sincere.

Encountering: verb; to meet with or contend against, especially unexpectedly.

Sexual Harassment: noun; employment discrimination consisting of unwelcome verbal or physical conduct directed at an employee because of his or her gender.

Seminary: a special school providing education in theology or religious history, primarily to prepare students for the priesthood, ministry, or rabbinate.