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State Library Adds Gale Opposing Viewpoints to Online Resource Package for Iowa Libraries

Beginning July 1, 2019, the State Library will add Opposing Viewpoints in Context from Gale to the Online Resources Package for Iowa libraries for fiscal year 2020. Opposing Viewpoints is the premier online resource covering today's most newsworthy social issues. This cross-curricular research database is continuously updated and organized in a user-friendly portal.

A webinar will be held Wednesday, June 19 at 9:00 a.m. for training, more information and a chance to ask questions on the new resource. The webinar will be recorded.



Register for the June 19 webinar

Libraries will automatically be granted access to the resource through their established method of authentication for the other Gale products in the package. Customized URLs and other resources will be accessible soon through the <u>Gale lowa Support website</u> and an <u>Opposing Viewpoints Promotional Materials</u> <u>folder</u> has been made available by Gale.

The State Library will incur the cost of providing Opposing Viewpoints for fiscal year 2020 to lowa libraries participating in the Online Resources Package. Libraries that currently subscribe to Opposing Viewpoints will be contacted by Gale with prorated credit information once all credits have been processed. Prorated credits are based on the start date of the State Library/Iowa Academic Library Alliance subscription.

About Opposing Viewpoints in Context

Opposing Viewpoints in Context offers an engaging online experience for those seeking contextual information and opinions on hundreds of today's hottest social issues. Drawing on the acclaimed Greenhaven Press series, Opposing Viewpoints in Context features continuously updated viewpoints, topic overviews, full-text magazines, academic journals, news articles, primary source documents, statistics, images, videos, audio files and links to vetted websites organized into a user-friendly portal experience.

Highlights of Opposing Viewpoints in Context include:

- 4 million full-text articles drawn from periodicals and newspapers such as *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Newsweek*, *Foreign Policy*, *Globe & Mail*, and *Commentary*.
- Over 19,000 viewpoint articles from premier news and journal sources as well as various Greenhaven and Gale titles.
- More than 16,300 videos, 154,900 images, and 197,800 audio files from such sources as *The New York Times*, AP Video News, Tribune Content Agency Photos, and NPR.

• Portal pages covering popular issues to provide students and educators with a starting point for research.

For questions on Opposing Viewpoints or the Online Resources Package, contact Marie Harms.

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