

# Autoethnography & Oral Histories of First-Generation American Archivists



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- I ❤️ my work
  - Stories of the human experience
  - For my people
- I don't ❤️ feeling alone
  - Lack of community
  - Unrepresented in collections

# So what?

- The U.S. archives field needs more people with immigrant backgrounds, because immigration is a huge part of the our country's story, past and present.
- Community among like-minded archivists.

# Next Steps

- Autoethnography
- Oral history interviews with archivists
  - Immigrants or children of immigrants
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Thank you!