

Social Action & Subject Headings

How Catalogers Can Effect Social Change

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United Nations' 2030 Sustainable Development Goals

Goal 4: *Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education...*

4.4: Substantially increase the number of youth & adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs & entrepreneurship

Goal 9: *Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive & sustainable industrialization & foster innovation*

9.c Significantly increase access to information and communications technology...

Goal 11: *Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable*

11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect & safeguard the world's cultural & natural heritage

Goal 16: *Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development...*

16.10: Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements

Information is the Foundation for Change

Information → Knowledge → Wisdom

Access to information is the watchword of librarianship.

For catalogers, subject analysis and classification are key!

Example 1: Oregon Indian Tribes (with Nigerian applications)

Example 2: Foods for the Future (with Nigerian applications)

Example 1

Improving Subject Access to Resources on Oregon Indian Tribes

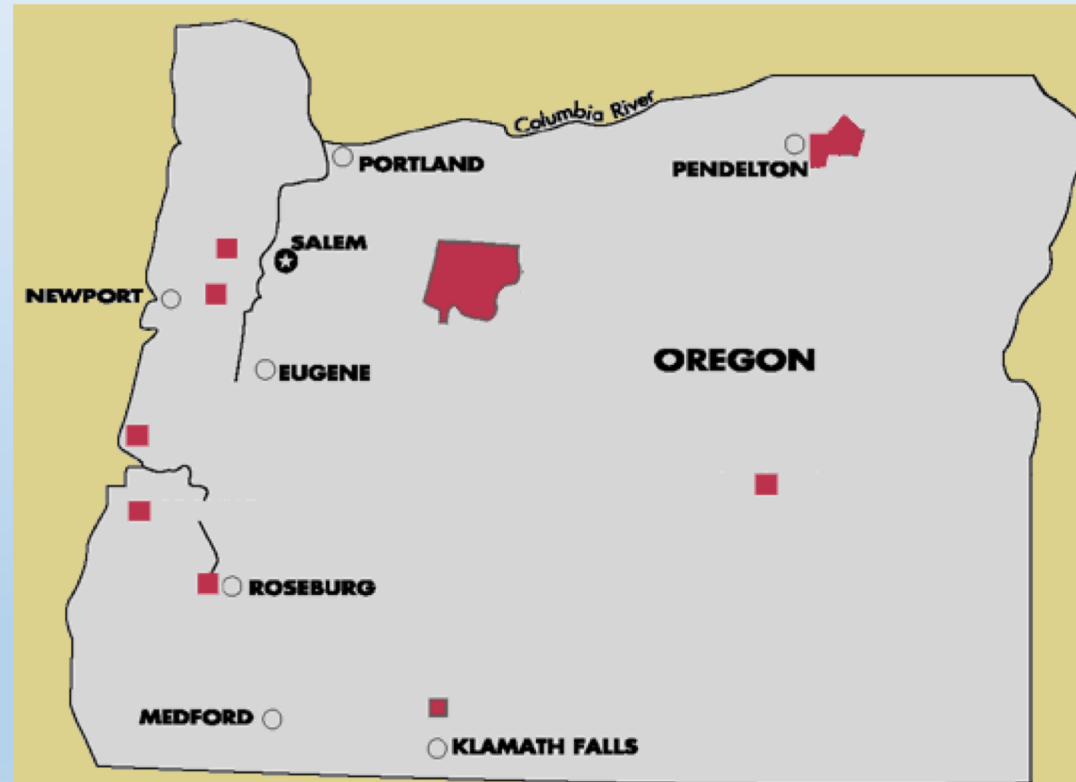
Where is Oregon?



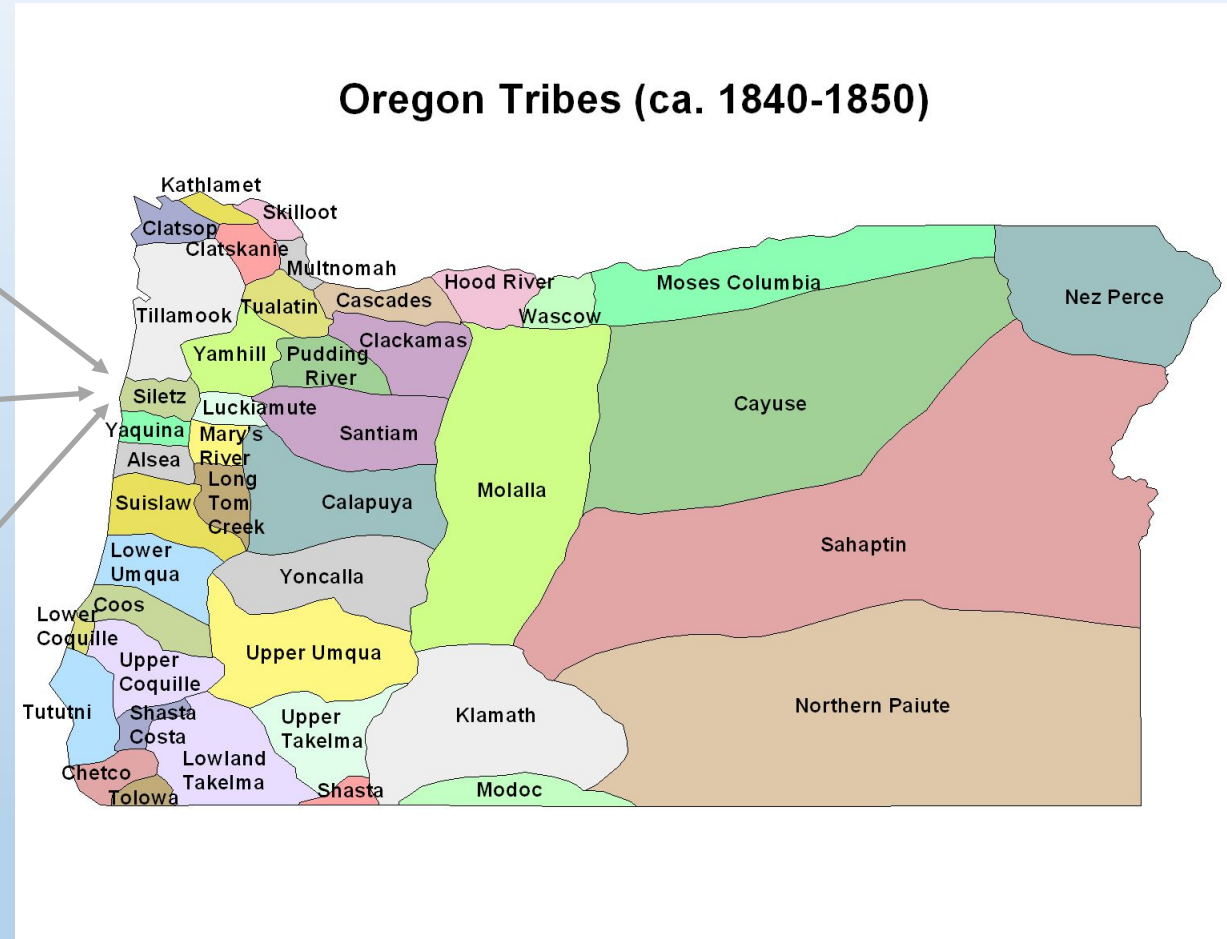
Oregon Indian Tribes

<i>Language Family</i>	<i>Languages</i>	<i>Tribe</i>
Salishan	Tillamook	Tillamook, Siletz
Shastan	Shasta	Shasta
Uto-Aztecan	Northern Paiute	Northern Paiute
Athabaskan	Clatskanie, Umpqua, Coquille-Tolowa	Tututni, Chasta Costa, Coquille, etc.
Chinookan	Coastal/Middle/Upper Chinook	Cathlamet, Clatsop, Watlala, etc.
Kalapuyan-Takelman	Tualatin-Kalapuyan, Santiam Kalapuyan, Yoncalle Kalapuyan, Takelma	Tualatin, Santiam, Yoncalla, Chepinefu, Yamhill, Ahantchuyuk, Luckiamute, etc.
Sahaptian	Sahaptin, Nez Perce	Nez Perce, Tenino
Lutuamian	Klamath	Klamath, Modoc
Molallan	Molalla	Molalla
Cayusan	Cayuse	Cayuse
Yakonan	Alsea	Alsea, Yaquina
Siuslawan	Siuslaw	Siuslaw
Coosan	Miluk, Hanis	Coos

Nine Oregon Indian Reservations



- **Siletz Indians**
(LCSH)
- Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Reservation, Oregon (NAF Corporate Body)
- Siletz Indian Reservation (Or.)
(NAF Geographic Heading)



Tribes, Subtribes, and Bands

“Very few Indians west of the Rockies had political units with territorial boundaries, internal organization ...”

(*The First Oregonians*, Portland, Or.: Oregon Council for the Humanities, 1991.)

“Subtribes” of the Kalapuyas

Ahantchuyuk

Atfalati

Calapooya (LCSH: **Kalapuya Indians**)

Chelamela

Chepinefu

Chemapho

Luckiamute (UF under **Kalapuya Indians**)

Santiam (UF under **Kalapuya Indians**)

Yamel

Yoncalla (NT under **Kalapuya Indians**)



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Swanton, John Reed. *Indian tribes of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho*, 1968.

Sturtevant, William C., ed. *Handbook of the North American Indians*, GPO, 1978-2008.

Wikipedia

Tribes in References	Tribes in LCSH
Ahantchuyuk Indians	→ Kalapuya
Alsea Indians	Alsea Indians
Atfalati Indians	→ Kalapuya
Bannock Indians	Bannock Indians
Cathlamet Indians	
Cayuse Indians	Cayuse Indians
Chastacosta Indians	Chastacosta Indians
Chelamela Indians	→ Kalapuya
Chepenefa Indians	→ Kalapuya
Chetco Indians	Chetco Indians
Chilluckittequaw Indians	
Chinook Indians	Chinook Indians
Clackamas Indians	Clackamas Indians
Clatskanie Indians	
Clatsop Indians	
Clowwewalla Indians	
Coos Indians	Coos Indians
Coquille Indians	Coquille Indians

Tribes in References	Tribes in LCSH
Galice/Applegate	
Kalapuya Indians	Kalapuya Indians
Klamath Indians	Klamath Indians
Klickitat Indians	Klickitat Indians
Kuitsh Indians	Kuitsh Indians
Kwalhioqua Indians	
Latgawa Indians	
Luckiamute Indians	→ Kalapuya
Modoc Indians	Modoc Indians
Molala Indians	Molala Indians
Multnomah Indians	Multnomah Indians
Nehalem Indians	Nehalem Indians
Nez Perce Indians	Nez Perce Indians
Northern Paiute Indians	Northern Paiute Indians
Santiam Indians	→ Kalapuya
Shasta Indians	Shasta Indians
Shoshoni Indians	Shoshoni Indians
Siletz Indians	Siletz Indians

Tribes in References	Tribes in LCSH
Siuslaw Indians	Siuslaw Indians
Skilloot Indians	
Takelma Indians	Takelma Indians
Tenino Indians	
Tillamook Indians	Tillamook Indians
Tolowa Indians	Tolowa Indians
Tututni Indians	Tututni Indians
Umatilla Indians	Umatilla Indians
Umpqua Indians	Umpqua Indians
Walla Walla Indians	Walla Walla Indians
Wanapum Indians	Wanapum Indians
Wasco Indians	Wasco Indians
Watlala Indians	
Wyam Indians	Wyam Indians
Yahuskin Indians	Yahuskin Indians
Yamel Indians	→ Kalapuya
Yaquina Indians	Yakonan Indians
Yoncalla Indians	Yoncalla Indians

WorldCat Methodology

1. Search tribal name (including variant spellings, singular and plural) in **WorldCat**
Keyword searches vs. Title searches
2. Print each relevant bibliographic record
3. Examine LC subject headings, if present
Other thesauri noted
Are headings overly broad? Wrong tribe?

19 Tribes Not Present in LCSH

at the beginning of the project

Ahantchuyuk

Atfalati

Cathlamet (25)

Chelamela*

Chepinefu*

Chilliuckittequaw*

Clatskanie*

Clatsop (21)

Clowwewalla*

Dakubetede (12)

Galice (12)

Kwalhioqua*

Latgawa (4)

Luckiamute

Santiam

Skilloot (15)

Tenino

Watlala (10)

Yamel

Key

*No bib records

Approved

Future work

(x) are # of UF terms
(cross-references)

Kalapuya Bands in WorldCat

- 4 bibliographic records for works on Tualatins (also known as Atfalatis)
 - No subject heading for Tualatin Indians or Atfalati Indians or UF term under **Kalapuya Indians** exists
- 2 bibliographic records for works on Santiam Indians
 - *Santiam Indians* is a UF term under **Kalapuya Indians**

WorldCat Resources for “Missing” Oregon Indian Tribes

- ❖ 41 bibliographic records total
- ❖ 36 bibliographic records with LCSH
- ❖ 19 bibliographic records contained:
Indians of North America – Oregon (sometimes with additional subdivisions)
- ❖ 13 contained subject headings for specific tribes

Example 1: Clatsop Indians



	# Bibliographic Records Affected	# of Subject Headings Added, Controlled, or Corrected
Added by OSU	8	10
Added by another library	2	2
Controlled	2	2
Corrected	5	9
Total changes	17	23

Example 2: Latgawa Indians

4 bibliographic records edited, adding the following subject headings:

Latgawa Indians. (x 2)

Latgawa Indians – Antiquities.

Latgawa Indians – Social life and customs.



Chetco-Tututni discography

“This short discography lists ... all the known recordings in the languages of the **Tututni, Chetco, Chastacosta and Galice-Applegate** peoples of Southwest Oregon.”

- ▶ Athapascan Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ **Tututni** Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ **Chetco** Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ Coquille Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ Tolowa Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ Umpqua Indians -- Discography.
- ▶ **Chastacosta** Indians -- Discography.

	Bibliographic Records		Subject Headings	
	Corrected	Added	Corrected	Added
Cathlamet Indians	2	1	2	1
Clatsop Indians	4	7	7	10
Dakubetede Indians		4		4
Galice Indians		2		2
Latgawa Indians		4		4
Skilloot Indians		1		1
Watlala Indians		2		2
TOTAL	6	21	9	24

Future Work

- Submit subject authority proposals for remaining 6 tribes
- Search for resources on 6 tribes not found in WorldCat; submit subject authority records
- Revise bibliographic records for the above
- Repeat for other states, countries, etc.

Nigerian Ethnic Groups in LCSH

- LCSH has 166 ethnic groups under “Ethnology – Nigeria.”
- Wikipedia: over 250 ethnic groups
- Ogugu (Kogi State), Kurdul (Adamawa State), Montol (Plateau State)

Bibliographic records exist for all 3 of these in WorldCat

Example: Figure carvings used in healing contexts among the Goemai and Montol of northern Nigeria

Subject access points: **Healing \$z Nigeria, North.**

Sculpture, Goemai.

Sculpture, Montol.

Example 2

**How Subject Access to 50 Future Foods
Could Improve Health, the Environment, and
the Global Economy**

Changing the World



Future 50 Foods

- In February, 2019, the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and Knorr Foods issued a report on fifty foods for the future.





Fonio



Teff



Nopales



Bok choy



Ube or Purple yam

26 Established in LCSH

Azuki	Black bean	Fava bean	Bambara groundnut	Cowpea	Lentils	Mung bean	Soybean
Amaranths	Buckwheat	Ragi	Fonio	Quinoa	Spelt	Teff	Wild rice
Okra	Kale	Moringa oleifera	Bok choy	Spinach	Watercress	Maitake	Flaxseed
Hemp seed oil/Cooking (Hemp)	Sesame						

<u>Future 50 Food</u>	<u>LCSH</u>
Beet greens	Beets + Edible greens
Parsley root	Parsley—Roots
Alfalfa sprouts	Alfalfa + Cooking (Sprouts)
Kidney bean sprouts	Kidney bean + Cooking (Sprouts)
Chickpea	Chickpea + Cooking (Sprouts)
Lotus root	East Indian lotus—Roots
Pumpkin flowers	Pumpkin + Flowers
Pumpkin leaves	Pumpkin + Leaves

50 Future Foods	LCSH
Red Indonesian sweet potatoes	Sweet potatoes
Laver	Nori, also Porphyra
Wakame	Undaria pinnatifida
Nopales	Nopalea, also Opuntia
Orange tomatoes	Tomatoes
Red cabbage	Cabbage
Enoki mushrooms	Edible mushrooms
Saffron milk mushrooms	Lactarius
Walnuts	Walnut, English
Black salsify	Salsify, also Scorzonera
White icicle radish or Winter radish	Radishes
Ube or Purple yam	Water yam
Yam bean root or Jicama	Pachyrhizus
Marama beans	Beans
Khorasan wheat	Wheat
Broccoli rabe or Rapini	Brassica

The Need and Next Steps

- Search WorldCat for works about each “future food”
 - Black salsify: 1 record
 - Khorasan wheat: 40 records
 - Marama beans: 60 records
- Create subject heading proposals via SACO, the Subject Authority Cooperative Program
- On approval, add new subject headings retrospectively to existing bibliographic records

Projected Results

- Improved search experience for researchers
- Better dissemination of critical information about future foods
- Alleviate hunger, improve the environment, support economic development
- Catalogers change the world

Thank you – Máhsie*

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*"Thank you" in *Chinook wawa*, a trade language of Pacific Northwest Indian tribes of the United States and Canada.