



Introduction:

A key aspect of intersectionality is the context in which an identity is expressed. With each of our identities, we both perceive ourselves and others receive us differently depending on the context and circumstances. We are always who we are, but we don't think about certain parts of ourselves in the same way until we change school, company, location, etc. In this activity, you will explore how different identities become more salient under different circumstances.

Participant Instructions:

1. Listen to the "Coming Out Meatless" podcast:
<https://www.southernfoodways.org/gravy/coming-out-meatless-gravy-ep-21/>.
2. Fill out a Social Identity Wheel for Choya Webb Jr. Specifically, you should indicate Choya's different identities as per the wheel categories, as well as the contexts and circumstances in which these identities are more or less salient (i.e., his identity as a pastor's son, his sexuality, and his dietary choices when he is with his family, when he is in Ann Arbor with friends, etc.).
3. Debrief as a group:
 - Which identities did you identify for Choya?
 - What identities for Choya would you like to add to the wheel?
 - Which contexts and circumstances inform these identities?
 - In which contexts are these identities more and less salient?
 - What role does self-perception play in the intersection of context and identity for Choya?
 - What role does audience (how others perceive us) play in the intersection of context and identity for Choya?
4. Fill out a Social Identity Wheel for yourself. Consider each of your identities in various contexts.
5. Debrief as a group:
 - How did you feel as you filled out your own Social Identity Wheel and the contexts in which your identities are more and less salient?
 - Which identities did you identify for yourself?
 - What identities for yourself would you like to add to the wheel?
 - Which contexts and circumstances inform these identities?
 - What role does your own self-perception play in the intersection of context and identity?
 - What role does your audience (how others perceive you) play in the intersection of context and identity?
 - How can becoming aware of the intersections of your personal and social identities and the contexts and circumstances you find yourself in throughout your life help you personally?