

Appreciative Inquiry in the University

Recommended Web Sites, Selected Book Bibliography, Videos, and References for Four-Year Colleges and Universities (*Links current as of February 28, 2012*)

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Recommended Web Sites

[Appreciative Inquiry Commons](#) – more commonly known as the "Ai Commons"-- a worldwide portal devoted to the fullest sharing of academic resources and practical tools on Appreciative Inquiry and the rapidly growing discipline of positive change.

- [The Best of Ai Web Sites](#) – The Ai Commons' recommendations on the best Ai web sites.
- [Learning Opportunities: Universities & Institutions](#) - This section of the Ai Commons is dedicated to listing the universities and institutions which offer ongoing education and learning opportunities in Appreciative Inquiry.

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All links are current as of February 28, 2012. Our advance apologies for any links that have succumbed to link "rot." If you have recommended additions to these lists, please contact Ray directly at raywells@wellbeing-systems.com

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[Ai Practitioner Journal](#) and [Resource Center](#) - Anne Radford's web site houses many resources and links to other Ai material. At the Ai Practitioner (AIP) website, visitors can download opening articles in recent AIP issues, see a full listing of topics and articles, as well as buy a subscription to the Ai Practitioner journal.

[Ai Listserv](#) - Forum for individuals interested in learning more about the practice of Ai. The list has over 1500 subscribers from all over the world. Questions are welcome, as are case postings, observations, and other experiences that can help all list subscribers improve their organization change practice.

[Appreciative Inquiry Consulting LLC](#) – the largest concentration of Ai expertise with consultants around the globe.

[Appreciative Advising](#) – Information about Appreciative Advising institute, certification and consultants.

[Appreciative Inquiry and Positive Psychology Resources](#) – University of North Carolina's Health Sciences Library web site of general Ai/positive psychology resources and initiatives within the university.

[Axiom News](#) – Journalists who have a passion for organizations that make a difference, and who are helping organizations "unlock the power of their stories."

[Center for Appreciative Inquiry](#) – provider of professional development training, especially with AIFTs – Appreciative Inquiry Facilitator Trainings.

[Gervase Bushe Web Site](#) – provides a host of resources on Ai, with some solid research on Ai outcomes.

[Positive Change Core](#) - a leading provider of innovative services for the transformation of educational systems.

[SOAR Strategy](#) – SOAR (Strengths, Opportunities, Aspirations, Results) is a strategy formulation and planning framework that uses the Appreciative Inquiry philosophy and applies it to provide a strategic thinking and dialog process.

[Taos Institute](#) – a community of scholars and practitioners committed to exploring, developing and disseminating ideas and practices that promote creative, appreciative and collaborative processes in families, communities and organizations around the world.

[World Inquiry's Innovation Bank](#). The World Inquiry into business as an agent of world benefit is a worldwide action-research initiative that uses Appreciative Inquiry to learn more about the role of business in society. By showcasing the best in business-in-society innovations, The World Inquiry sparks conversations about the role and potential of business to act as an agent of world benefit. Hosted by Case Western Reserve University.

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