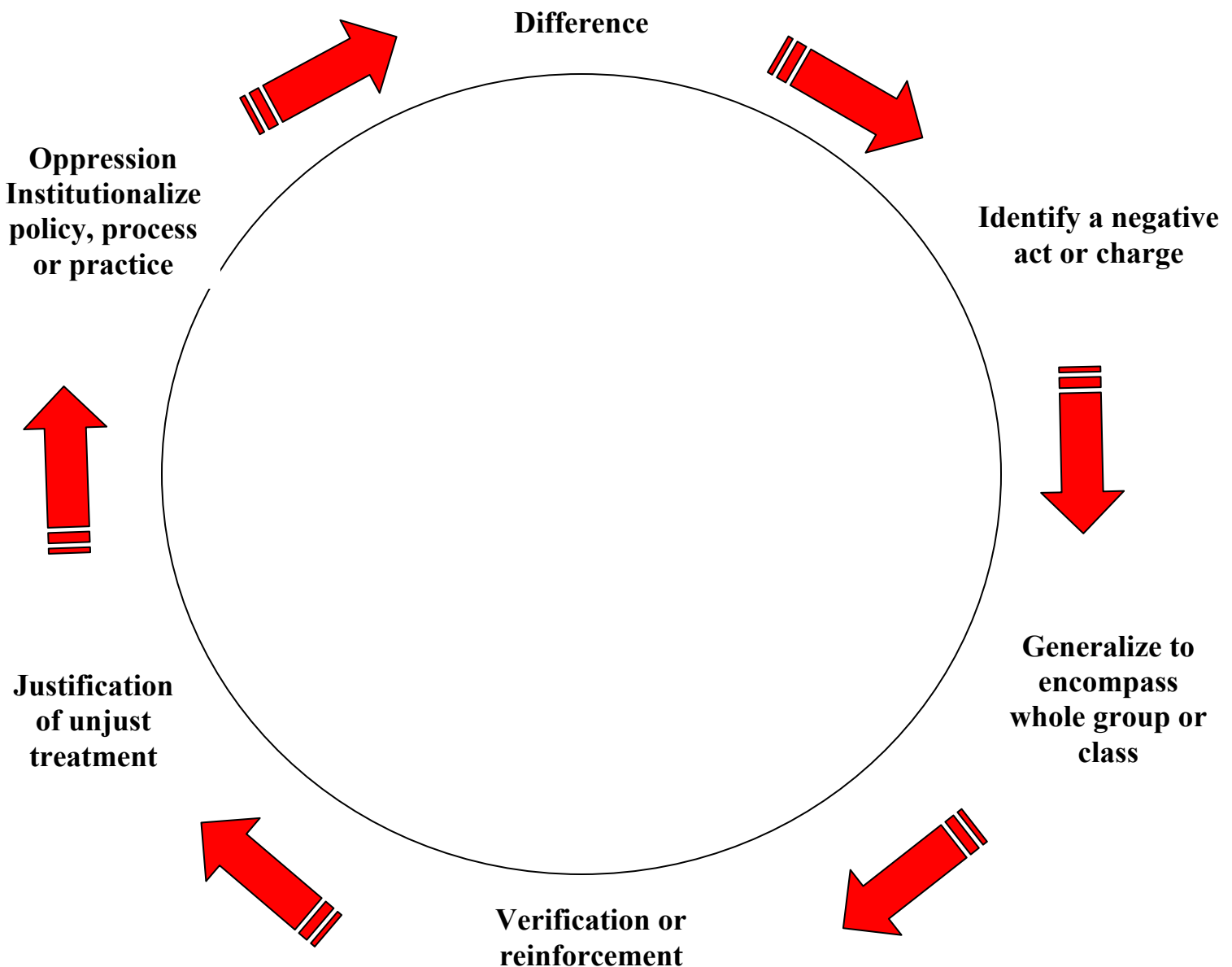


CYCLE OF OPPRESSION



How it works...

1. A difference is identified or noticed (race, gender, ability, age, sexual orientation, accent, etc.)
2. A negative experience or negative charge occurs
3. This experience is then generalized to encompass the whole group or class
4. The generalization is reinforced by media, friends, family and/or institutions
5. The reinforcement justifies unjust treatment
6. This treatment is then often institutionalized and oppresses the group