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WSU LGBTQ+ STUDENT SUPPORT

The Office of Multicultural Student Engagement collaborates across campus to create empowering and enjoyable experiences that celebrate and support our LGBTQ+ student community.

EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

- Coming Out Week
- International Pronouns Day
- Trans Day of Rememberance
- WSU Pride Week
- Rainbow Graduation

CAMPUS INITIATIVES

- Inclusive restroom
- Gender-inclusive housing

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EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

- Attend and present at LGBTQ+ focused conferences (e.g., MBLGTACC, Creating Change)
- Lectures from leaders and change-makers

Visit us online at omse.wayne.edu/lgbtq or pride.wayne.edu | omse_wsu

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RESOURCE LINKS

Wayne State Pride
WSU is a welcoming and affirming campus for members of the LGBTQ+ community, with support and opportunities for students, staff, and scholars with investments in gender and sexuality. Our diverse queer community comes together for big annual events, such as Coming Out Week, Pride Week and Rainbow Graduation. In addition to those programs, we have all kinds of social, activist, and academic points of connection.

This site brings together many of our campus resources and organizations to help you stay in the know. You can learn about upcoming opportunities on our event and Get Involved calendars, catch up on LGBTQ+ news on campus, and discover tools for students, staff and faculty members.

- Pride Week programming
- Rae Lee Siporin Rainbow Graduation Awards and Homecoming Ceremony
- WSU employee out list

Information about personal pronouns

Preferred name system

Student resources
- Features a range of opportunities including feminist and queer student organizations

The Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies (GSW) Program offers both a major and minor. The new scholarships page lists awards specifically related to gender and sexuality. Learn more about the student perspective about the program here.

Gender-Inclusive Housing
housing@wayne.edu

Undergraduate Admissions
studentservice@wayne.edu

Student Disability Services
studentdisability@wayne.edu

Campus Visit

Financial Aid

Scholarships

GET INVOLVED

Visit Get Involved and search "Identity: LGBTQ+" to browse all the currently active registered student organizations who self-denoted this category.

Students who get involved on campus are more likely to feel a sense of belonging, succeed academically and graduate!

Students @ FestiFall

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GENDER-INCLUSIVE HOUSING @ WSU

Housing and Residential Life at the Wayne State University is committed to creating an inclusive residential community that values and embraces the diversity of all its members. Therefore, we provide a living environment welcoming to all gender identities; one not limited by the traditional understanding of gender as binary. Gender-inclusive housing allows for individuals to live together regardless of biological sex. This policy has been developed to better provide a supportive environment where all residents can feel safe in their home on campus with respect to their gender identity and gender expression.

What is gender-inclusive housing?
Gender-inclusive housing is not restricted to traditional limitations of a gender binary (male/female). Gender-inclusive housing means that students from all gender identities and expressions may choose to live together.

What contributed to the creation of gender-inclusive housing at WSU?
As we strive to create a welcoming, inclusive and safe residential experience, offering gender-inclusive housing both accommodates and respects the complexities of gender identity. Knowing that traditional, same-sex room assignments are not always comfortable and/or appropriate, we found gender-inclusive housing to be more welcoming for all of our students, while also demonstrating our commitment to our mission of providing "housing that's home.

Out of respect for the uniqueness and validity of the self-perceptions and identities of our students, we established gender-inclusive housing options in all of our residential communities. Living in a room/suite/apartment that is not based on one's biological sex can further support the safety and comfort of our students who do not fit into others' expectations of gender presentations, expressions, or identity.

Is gender-inclusive housing just for LGBTQ+ students?
Gender-inclusive housing is not just for LGBTQ people; it is for anyone who wants to live with people with whom they feel comfortable. Students who elect this option must be open to living with a person of any gender identity. Students are interested in gender-inclusive housing for a variety of reasons. It is our hope that you make the best decision for you.

Who can participate in gender-inclusive housing?
This option is available for continuing students through the housing sign-up process. Incoming students who believe that this housing option will best support their personal needs as they transition to the Warrior community may contact the Housing and Residence Life assignments staff to discuss what options may be possible.

What if a student does not want to live in gender-inclusive housing?
A student must identify that they are interested in gender-inclusive housing in order to be considered. Students who do not identify an interest will not be considered and will remain eligible for same-sex housing assignments.

Can people who are romantically involved live together?
Gender-inclusive housing is not intended for romantic couples. As a general rule, we would strongly advise against doing so. We respect and honor the privacy of our students, so current procedures do not require students to disclose their reason for roommate requests.

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GENDER, SEXUALITY AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

Gender, Sexuality, and Women's Studies (GSW) is an interdisciplinary undergraduate program where you can study gender and sexuality through the lenses of feminism and queer and trans studies, with special attention to critical intersections with race, class, religion, health, and geography. GSW is also a place for feminist, queer, and ally students to find community; we come together outside of the classroom for programs, events, and service-learning on campus and in Detroit.

A minor or major in GSW or a minor in Queer Studies gives students the tools they need to bring together theory and praxis, academic methods and social justice principles. Our students become experts in critical thinking, sharp analysis, clear writing, and deep research.

A DEGREE IN GENDER, SEXUALITY AND WOMEN'S STUDIES

Students pursuing a major in GSW or a minor in either GSW or Queer Studies will take a slate of core courses complemented by several electives drawn from fields like African American Studies, Psychology, Sociology, Public Health, Art History, English, History, Criminal Justice, and Political Science. The GSW Program provides robust advising to offer both curricular guidance and flexibility to every student as they pursue their own goals.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE IN GSW?

Students with a degree from GSW go on to pursue careers in multicultural and interpersonal fields like education, law, social work, health care, public relations, or community development. Graduates from GSW are in-demand employees who thrive in these career fields because of their skills in communication and their rich understanding of diverse social and cultural contexts, honed through coursework in social science, literature, and the arts.

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