



GSC Newsletter 11/9/2018

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Have a Great Weekend Grizzlies!

Special Announcements

Support the GSC during All-University Fund Drive

The All-University Fund Drive is a time for employees and retirees to show their OU pride and support the areas of campus that mean the most to them. Your gift will enable the GSC to continue to support LGBTQIA students at Oakland University.

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Pride Month 2019-- Call for Proposals

The Gender and Sexuality Center encourages your department or student organization to submit a proposal to host an event for Pride Month 2019 (March 12-April 11, 2019) which is a university-wide collaboration, presenting opportunities to learn from and about the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, queer, questioning and asexual (LGBTQIA) community. Proposals are due by the close of business on Friday, December 7th and can be submitted [here](#).

GSC is Looking for Peer Mentors and Student Assistants for Fall 2019

The Gender and Sexuality Center is looking to hire peer mentors and student assistants for the upcoming school year and will be holding two info sessions this month! Join us on **November 15** in the center, located in room 47 of the Oakland Center from 12-1pm or **November 28** from 5-6pm in room 126 of the Oakland Center to learn more about our positions, the requirements and when to apply. To be eligible for either position you *must attend one info session* to be considered. We have two others scheduled for next semester, one on January 8 from 12-1pm, and the other on January 9 from 3-4pm the location for both is still to be determined, but we will keep you updated. We hope to see you there!

Mapping a Queer OU Project

Calling all LGBTQ+ students! Mapping a Queer OU is a unique and innovative study on LGBTQI+ experiences at Oakland. The results of this study will help create a visual representation of students' experiences – a map with heat spots specifically. Imagine a map of OU that shows off where students find affirming and pinpoints our areas of growth. Being committed to social justice and equity

means figuring out where we still have work to do and doing it. Must be over 18 to participate. Survey link can be found [here](#).

Upcoming GSC Events

QTPOC Dinner | November 12 | 6pm - 8pm | Gender and Sexuality Center

Are you an LGBT person of color? If you are then come join us at the Queer Trans Person of Color Dinner! Meet other queer/trans people of color in the campus community, eat food, bring games for us to play, all in celebration of our existence on campus! Sign up [here](#).

Serving Up Knowledge Session | November 13 | 12pm - 1pm | Gold Room B

This November will be our last Serving Up Knowledge Session for the Fall semester! We will be discussing different ways in which LGBTQIA people can cope with and navigate the holidays with family. Bring your lunch! No registration needed.

Transgender Day of Remembrance | November 20 | 11am - 2pm | Gold Room B

Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR) is an annual observance on November 20 that honors the memory of those whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence. This is presented in partnership with the Student Program Board, and will be featuring the interactive exhibit "Sharing our Strength" presented by [Transcend the Binary](#) to illustrate the resilience of the Trans and Non-Binary community. This event will be open to all staff, students, and faculty there is no registration required.

World AIDS Day Event | November 30 | 11:30am - 1pm | Gold Room C

This event will be hosting guest speaker Todd Heywood, he has been an active journalist since his first job as an associate editor at age 17 in 1987. His work has uncovered a hate group at Michigan State University, revealed that the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) has been actively tracking and maintaining a database on persons who are tested for HIV, and has been a leading reporter on HIV criminal issues. His work has been cited by the CDC, the Global Commission on HIV and the Law produced by the UN, the U.S. House of Representatives and more. He currently reports for Between The

Lines newspaper, City Pulse, HIV Plus Magazine and TheBody.com. In 2011, he was named one of POZ Magazine's top 100 people and ideas changing the fight against HIV, and also named by TheBody.com as "a person making a difference." In 2014, he was the creator of the successful PrEP4ItNow.com HIV testing and prevention initiative touting the benefits of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) as a prevention option for HIV. He lives in Lansing with his three beloved dogs, Gypsy Rose, Virgil Joshua and Lancelot Gobbo. He has been living with HIV since 2007. Open to all students, staff, and faculty, no registration required.

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