The LGBTQ Agenda

Looking for ways to get involved in LGBTQIA+ and allied communities at Carolina?

The LGBTQ Center offers programs and events throughout the school year for students, faculty, staff and community members to gather for education, professional development, and community building.

Welcome Brunch
Each August, you’re invited to meet new people, socialize, and find out what’s in store for the year.

Show your Pride in The Pit
Join us on visibility days to take photos with pride flags and learn about other identities.

LGBTQ Resource Library
Browse and borrow LGBTQIA+-themed literature, poetry, and research from over 600 holdings.

Safe Zone Training
Show your support for UNC LGBTQIA+ communities. Learn more about LGBTQIA+-themed topics and resources.

Center After Dark Food and Games
Meet new people or hang out with old friends in the LGBTQ Center lounge every Wednesday evening.

Lavender Graduation
Celebrate recipients of the LGBTQIA+ Advocacy Awards, graduating Sexuality Studies minors, LGBTQIA+ community members, and their allies.

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Our History

2001
A Provost’s Committee was formed to examine the campus climate for LGBTQ individuals on campus. Forming an LGBTQ Center was one of their recommendations.

2003
The LGBTQ Office became a program of the Office of the Deans of Students.

2007
The LGBTQ Office became a freestanding department within Student Affairs and was renamed the LGBTQ Center.

2011
The LGBTQ Center received the Orange County Rape Crisis Center’s Margaret Barrett Award for Advocacy for substantial contributions to ending sexual violence.

2016
Terri Phoenix was the staff recipient of the University Diversity Award for significant contributions to the enhancement, support and/or furtherance of diversity on campus and in the community.

What We Do

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Center works to foster a welcoming and inclusive environment for UNC-Chapel Hill community members of all sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions.

We address this mission by allocating our resources across three broad areas:

1. Educational Programs
2. Direct Support and Advocacy
3. Community Building Events

Center Hours
Monday-Friday, 10:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday 10:00am - 8:00pm

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Education

The Center provides various educational programs on LGBTIQ+ topics to the University and surrounding communities.

Presentations and Workshops
Topics include: "LGBTIQ+ 101," "Gender Identity and Gender Expression," and "Intentionally Inclusive Health Care for LGBTIQ+ Identified People."

Technical Assistance
We offer consultation and "best practice" guides for designing more inclusive forms, curricula, promotional materials, events, and more!

Resource Library
The LGBTQ Center maintains a resource library with approximately 600 holdings (books, videos, and brochures). Anyone with a PID number can check out these holdings (brochures are available for free and do not have to be returned).

Graduate Speaker Series
The UNC LGBTQ Center and the Graduate School's Diversity and Student Success Program co-sponsor this speaker series to share the work of graduate and professional students, UNC faculty, and local researchers conducting research related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

Safe Zone
The Safe Zone program is a symbol of this University's commitment to diversity and inclusiveness. Its purpose is to create a network of visible allies to people who identify as part of the diverse LGBTIQ+ community.

The four-hour educational session provides information and resources related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

What is an Ally?
An ally is someone who uses their identities of privilege to disrupt existing systems that marginalize people. People can be allies to others even when they identify as part of the diverse LGBTIQ+ community.

What are the Outcomes of Training?
Attendees evaluate the training at the end of each session. Here's what over 500 participants have to say:

"Honestly I thought there would be more I already knew but this training proved me wrong."

99%
agreed or strongly agreed to having "greater knowledge of terminology related to sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression."

"I appreciate the non-judgemental way people are welcomed into the space even if they are new to these ideas."

98%
agreed or strongly agreed that the training increased their cultural competency with people who identify as LGBTIQ+.

Community Building

The Center hosts social and cultural events that allow LGBTIQ+ and allied communities to gather for meeting new people, mutual support, and networking throughout the school year.

Welcome Brunch
Start off the school year with a casual social where LGBTIQ+ individuals and allies can get to know one another and learn about groups, clubs, and upcoming events.

Pride and Visibility Days
We invite students, faculty, staff, and alumni to join us in The Pit and around campus to raise visibility and promote allyship for and within LGBTIQ+ communities.

Transgender Day of Remembrance
Ever November, we memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender violence. We also take time to celebrate the resilience of transgender and gender non-conforming people.

Pride Week
Pride Week is an annual partnership between the LGBTQ Center, student organizations and University departments across campus. Together we put on social and educational events to build community for LGBTIQ+ and allied campus communities.

Lavender Graduation
On the Sunday before Spring Commencement, we honor recipients of the LGBTIQ+ Advocacy Awards, graduating Sexuality Studies minors, LGBTIQ+ identified students, and their allies with a special ceremony.

Center After Dark Food and Games
Join us for food, games, and socializing in the LGBTQ Center lounge every Wednesday evening.

Queer Graduate and Professional Socials
QGAPS is an informal biweekly meetup for graduate and professional students, their friends, family, and partners to connect and build community at rotating locations throughout Chapel Hill and Carrboro.

Direct Support

The LGBTQ Center provides direct support to students, staff, and faculty through groups, meetings, and resources.

Trans Talk Tuesday
A biweekly discussion group for students, faculty, staff, and community members that identify as transgender, non-binary, or who are questioning their gender.

One-on-One Meetings
Students are encouraged to schedule on- or off-campus meetings with Center staff to discuss identity, coming out, relationships, or any topic on their mind. Faculty and staff can also take advantage of this resource to talk about their own identities, workplace situations, or ways they can create more inclusive spaces for students.

Confidential Drop-in Hours with GVSCs
The Gender Violence Services Coordinators hold bi-weekly drop-in hours at the Center as a resource for anyone who has experienced interpersonal and gender-based violence either before or during their time at Carolina.

Advocacy

LGBTQ Center staff work with and through numerous campus committees to create a university with inclusive policies, procedures, learning spaces, workplace environments and resources.

Should you experience harassment, we are available to support and guide you as you navigate the situation.