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GENDER & SEXUALITY SERVICES

December Newsletter

We're nearly to the end of the semester, Panthers! Whether you've been a regular at our programs or are just preparing to join us for the first time: We're glad you're here!

Keep reading for more information about upcoming events and other ways to connect. Visit us in Maucker Union (plaza level, next door to NISG) to meet our staff, participate in a program, make some new friends, or just hang out. Gender & Sexuality Services will continue to provide both in-person and virtual support. If you would like to setup a meeting, please email lgbt@uni.edu.



LGBTeTea Time

Our last LGBTeTea Time of the semester is coming up! Join guest presenter Jazz Jensen ('24) for LGBTeTea Time: Queer Art to learn more about artist Keith Haring and the world of queer art! Lunch will be provided.

Friday 12/2 @ 11:30 AM-12:30 PM in the CME classroom (Maucker 109P).

Mail Exchange

Do you love to get mail? Do you like pretty stationery and positive messages? Sign up to be matched with a fellow student from Iowa State, U of Iowa, or UNI in our LGBTQlowA monthly mail exchange! Sign up by December 5th to



be matched with a partner for our December exchange and beyond!

All students who have signed up by the first Monday of the month will be added to the exchange -- just sign up once and you'll get monthly reminders to write to your mail partner.

This program is a collaborative initiative run through UNI's Gender & Sexuality Services, Ulowa's Pride Alliance Center, and ISU's Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success. The program is for current LGBTQ+ students attending the University of Iowa, University of Northern Iowa, and Iowa State University only. [Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/LGBTQIOWAMail](https://tinyurl.com/LGBTQIOWAMail)



Lav Grad

Are you graduating this December?

Request your Lavender Graduation certificate and regalia by Monday 12/5. Head to tinyurl.com/LavGradUNI to request your grad pack.

We are so proud of you, graduates!

LGBTarot

The CME's final Hot Wings Hot Topics of the semester is centered around the queer history of tarot! Come find out more about tarot itself, its makers, and its queering and adoption by the community!

Questions? Contact cme-tripa@uni.edu



Weekly Programs

Triumphant Tuesdays: Join [Daria](#) on Tuesdays from 3:30-5 PM in GSS to share your good news and triumphs! This session serves as an opportunity to recognize the 'rainbows' in our lives as well as a space to seek encouragement through our storms.

QT Chats: Join [Kalyani](#) every-other Wednesday from 11 AM-12 noon in GSS for discussions about different queer and trans-related topics. Our final QT Chat of the semester is on Dec. 7 when we'll reflect on the semester so far and look ahead to spring 2023.

Queer Book Club: Join [Archer](#) on Wednesdays from 5-6 PM in GSS to discuss books with queer storylines and highlight LGBTQ+ representation in literature. All genres welcome!

De-Stress Days

Student Wellness Services and other campus partners will be hosting De-Stress Days on December 5th, 6th, & 7th between 11AM and 2PM in the Maucker Union Ballroom. Stop by to enjoy stress-relieving activities.

For more information, email wellness@uni.edu.



Did you know?

Beginning in January 2023, preferred names (what is listed in myUNlverse) can be used on student IDs! Current students who want a new card may do so by bringing their existing ID card to Housing and Dining and requesting a new card (make sure your preferred name is updated in myUNlverse first). This change is in effect for all current and incoming students (and employees). Current students changing their preferred name may receive their replacement ID at no cost.

Need to update your preferred name? Log into myUNlverse, navigate to "Update Personal Information," enter your preferred name and select the date for the change to take effect, and click "save changes."

Winter Operations

Gender & Sexuality Services staff will be working limited hours December 19-22 and January 3-14. We will be out of the office December 23-30, and many campus offices will have reduced hours during the winter break period.

If you would like to setup a meeting with a GSS staff member, please email lgbt@uni.edu or leave us a message at 319-273-LGBT (5428)

Upcoming Events

December 1: *World AIDS Day*

[Proud](#) meeting | 5-7 PM | Rod Library MakerSpace

December 2: LGBTea Time | 11:30 AM-12:30 PM | CME Classroom

December 5: De-Stress Days | 11 AM-2 PM | Maucker Union Ballrooms

December 6: De-Stress Days | 11 AM-2 PM | Maucker Union Ballrooms

Triumphant Tuesday with Daria | 3:30-5 PM | GSS

December 7: QT Chat | 11 AM-12 noon | GSS

De-Stress Days | 11 AM-2 PM | Maucker Union Ballrooms

LGBTQ+ Affinity Crafternoon | 12-1 PM | CME Classroom

Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

December 8: Hot Wings, Hot Topics | 4-5 PM | CME Classroom

[Proud](#) meeting | 5-7 PM | Rod Library MakerSpace

Pansexual & Panromantic Pride Day

December 10: *GSS's 9th Birthday!*

December 12-16: *Final Exam Period*

December 13: Triumphant Tuesday with Daria | 3:30-5 PM | GSS

December 14: Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS



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