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GENDER & SEXUALITY SERVICES

February Newsletter

February is Black History Month! Be sure to check out [Black Student Union's](#) full lineup of events, including a poetry slam and skate party.

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, join an event, make some new friends, or just hang out. Gender & Sexuality Services continues to provide both in-person and virtual support. If you would like to setup a meeting, please email lgbt@uni.edu.



LGBTea Time

Our next LGBTea Time of the semester is coming up next week! Join student presenters Archer Trip and Maddie Kizer for a session on rest as a form of activism. Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday 2/8 @ 9:30-10:30AM in the CME classroom (Maucker 109P).

Book Group

Gender & Sexuality Services is hosting a spring reading group! We'll be reading [Stone Butch Blues](#) by Leslie Feinberg.

The group will meet on February 21, Marcy 7, March 21, and April 4 from 3:30-4:30 PM. A limited number of print copies of the book are available for participants who request a copy, and a PDF version is available online at no cost via the author's

website (linked above).

[Click here for more information or to sign up!](#)

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 February 6th to be matched with a partner for our February 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. [Sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/LGBTQIOWAMail>](#)



Pride Week

Save the date! We'll be celebrating Pride Week during the week of April 3-8. More details about the full lineup -- including workshops, a clothing swap, and more -- coming soon! In the meantime, mark your calendar for Dragaganza on Saturday, April 8 at 7 PM!

Lav Grad

Calling all 2023 graduates! We'll be celebrating [Lavender Graduation](#) on Tuesday, May 2 in the evening. Details and registration coming soon, as well as information on Lavender Awards.

Weekly Programs

QTBIPOC Affinity Group: Join [Daria](#) on Tuesdays from 12-1 PM in GSS to connect with other queer and trans Black, Indigenous, and students of color.

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

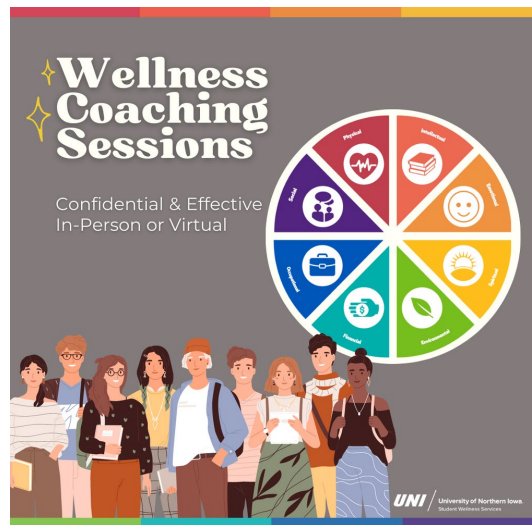
Wellness Coaching

Find your way in wellness: sign up for Wellness Coaching! Through meeting with a Wellness Coach, you have the opportunity to explore your character

strengths, focus on your health and well-being goals, and obtain resources.

Wellness Coaching is a confidential service available to all UNI students (covered under the mandatory health fee), offered by UNI Student Wellness Services. Sign-up for an in-person or Zoom session today at

<https://wellbeing.uni.edu/student-wellness/wellness-coaching>



QUEERLY BELOVED

Dear you,

Looking for LGBTQ+ community?

Join us for desserts and Valentine making!

Art supplies and desserts provided!

XO Cedar Valley LGBTQ+ Coalition



When: Sun, February 19

4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Where: ThreeHouse

2422 College St

Cedar Falls

Queerly Beloved

The Cedar Valley LGBTQ+ Coalition invites you to a community gathering with desserts, Valentine making, and community! Art supplies and desserts provided.

Sunday 2/19

4-6 PM

ThreeHouse (2422 College St)

Did you know?

Preferred names (what is listed in myUNiverse) 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 myUNiverse 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 myUNiverse, navigate to "Update Personal Information," enter your preferred name and select the date for the change to take effect, and click "save changes."

Safe Zone Ally

Registration for [Safe Zone Ally](#) training is now open! Please register in advance.

Phase One

- Wednesday, March 1 - 3:00-4:30 PM (on campus)
- Tuesday, April 4 - 2:00-3:30 PM (virtual)
- Monday, April 24 - 11:30 AM-1 PM (on campus)

Phase Two

- Wednesday, March 8 - 3:00-5:00 PM (on campus)
- Thursday, April 6 - 2:00-4:00 PM (virtual)
- Monday, May 1 - 11:30 AM-1:30 PM (on campus)

**As much advance notice as possible will be given in the event that a session is shifted to a virtual format.*

Scholarship Opportunity

Agathon Fellowship for \$4,500

Who is eligible?

Students who have demonstrated a strong commitment to, and have had active roles in supporting Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) issues. New and returning Women's and Gender Studies graduate students are encouraged to apply. Students who have a 3.0 grade point average and are going to be full-time students at UNI for the 2023-2024 academic year are eligible.

What do I submit?

1. A 1-2 page written statement explaining your strong commitment to and involvement in the support of LGBT issues, and details regarding how you plan to continue to do so during the fellowship period.
2. Two letters of recommendation, with at least one addressing your commitment and active involvement with LGBT issues. Recommenders should send their letters directly to the Women's and Gender Studies program.
3. Resume or Curriculum Vita.

How do I submit my application?

In person, by mail, or via email:

Agathon Fellowship Committee
c/o Staycie Lyman
Women's and Gender Studies Program
University of Northern Iowa
225 Sabin Hall
Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0509
staycie.lyman@uni.edu

When is my application due?

March 1, 2023

Upcoming Events

February 1: [Proud](#) meeting | 5:30-6:30 PM | Rod Library Makerspace

Black History Month Kick-Off | 6-9 PM | Maucker Union | [Hosted by BSU](#)

February 2: Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

February 4: Soul Food Dinner | 5-9 PM | ThreeHouse | [Hosted by BSU](#)

February 7: QTBIPOC Affinity Group | 12-1 PM | GSS

February 8: [LGBT Tea Time](#) | 9:30-10:30 AM | CME classroom

[Proud](#) meeting | 5:30-6:30 PM | Rod Library Makerspace

Poetic Justice | 6-8 PM | CME Classroom | [Hosted by BSU](#)

February 9: Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

February 14: QTBIPOC Affinity Group | 12-1 PM | GSS

February 15: [Proud](#) meeting | 5:30-6:30 PM | Rod Library Makerspace

February 16: Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

February 19: [Queerly Beloved](#) with [CV LGBTQ+ Coalition](#) | 4-6 PM | ThreeHouse

February 21: QTBIPOC Affinity Group | 12-1 PM | GSS

Sewing & Crafting Workshop | 5-6 PM | Rod Library Makerspace

February 22: [Proud](#) meeting | 5:30-6:30 PM | Rod Library Makerspace

Tunnel of Oppression | 6-8 PM | Lang Hall | [Hosted by BSU](#)

February 23: Queer Book Club | 5-6 PM | GSS

February 25: Skate Party | 6-9 PM | WRC | Hosted by BSU

February 26: Soul Food Dinner | 9 AM-3 PM | Gift of Life Church | [Hosted by BSU](#)

February 28: QTBIPOC Affinity Group | 12-1 PM | GSS

"Just Mercy" screening | 7:30 PM | KAB 111 | [Hosted by BSU](#)



Stay Connected with Gender & Sexuality Services



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