

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Resources on Campus

AllyWestern

Ally Western is a USC Program that works to create a more inclusive university campus, with a focus on understanding and celebrating campus diversity. As an outreach service, Ally Western organizes free educational workshops which promote the following objectives: creating a safe, accepting, and inclusive environment, where diversity is understood and embraced; reducing fear of discrimination or harassment; educating participants about challenging issues, and creating a visible support network for the entire Western community. www.westernusc.ca/peersupport

Equity and Human Rights Services

Equity and Human Rights Services (EHRS) provides information on the University's discrimination and harassment policies, employment equity and diversity and other human rights related issues. We are here to help you, whether you are a student, staff or faculty member. We are dedicated to making Western an equitable, safe and supportive environment for all members of the University community. Our service is confidential except in specific circumstances.

Learn more at: www.uwo.ca/equity

PrideWestern

The PrideWestern network aims to provide a resource and support system for students with questions regarding Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Transsexual, Queer, 2-Spirited, and Asexual (LGBTQ2A) issues. The organization promotes awareness and advocacy on LGBTQ2A issues brought about through a variety of programs, including the annual Pride Week, movie nights, socials, and coffee houses. www.westernusc.ca/peersupport or email: pridewestern@westernusc.ca

Pride Library

The Pride Library's mandate is to acquire and provide public access to materials by and about the lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer community (LGBTQ). The Pride Library welcomes visitors from outside as well as inside the University Gates. Established in 1997 as an official Western research site, the Pride Library is the first of its kind at a Canadian university. The Pride Library collection includes books, periodicals, videos, slides, and CDs, amounting to over 5,500 titles. Users can search the collection in the university's online public catalogue. Learn more at: www.uwo.ca/pridelib/

Sexuality and Gender Research Group

The Sexuality and Gender Research Group brings together researchers from the Faculty of Arts and Humanities with scholars in other disciplines from around the university to discuss questions of sexuality and gender from a variety of disciplinary, interdisciplinary, and cross-disciplinary perspectives. Every year, the Sexuality and Gender Research Group, in conjunction with the Western Queer Caucus, hosts a number of academic talks and organizes Queer Research Day, a full-day event involving both papers and poster presentations. Queer Research Day is normally held on the third Wednesday in April. Membership in the Sexuality and Gender Research Group is open to faculty and graduate students. However, all of our events are free and open to all members of the Western community.

Learn more at: www.uwo.ca/womens/research/research_group.html

Western Queer Caucus

The Queer Caucus was founded in 2007 as a group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, two-spirited, questioning, and queer faculty and graduate students and their allies, as well as for people engaged in various forms of queer academic work. The caucus links people across faculties, schools, and departments and is intended to help forge community, facilitate academic alliances, promote scholarship, provide a venue for activism, and encourage discussions and practices of diverse forms of queer pedagogy. For more information or to join the mailing list, please contact queer-caucus@uwo.ca.

Women's Studies and Feminist Resources

An academic department located in both the Faculty of Arts and Humanities and the Faculty of Social Sciences, WSFR offers courses on gender and sexuality and administers the intrafaculty Sexuality Studies major. Through WSFR, you can major in Women's Studies and/or in Sexuality Studies or you can take a minor in either Women's Studies or Gender, Sexuality, Culture. Current course offerings include courses like "Contemporary Queer Topics," "Sexual Subjects," "Beyond the Binary: Homosexualities/Transsexualities," "Intersections: Race, Class and Sexuality" and "Desiring Women." WSFR is committed to providing a learning environment that celebrates diversity. Learn more at: www.uwo.ca/womens/