



GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY LGBTQ Admissions Resources

A cheatsheet for queer and trans scholars interested in attending our University.



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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

QUESTION	DESCRIPTION
<p>Does your university host campus events throughout the year to celebrate LGBTQ pride?</p>	<p>YES! Rainbow Social, QueeraPOOLooza, National Coming Out Day open mic night, Pride Prom, Trans Week of Visibility, Wear the Rainbow (clothing swap), Lavender Graduation AND many, many more.</p> <p>Click here to read more about the programming that goes on at GVSU.</p>
<p>Does your university have an LGBTQ Resource Center, or other support services for LGBTQ+ students?</p>	<p>Yes! We are very proud of our Milton E. Ford LGBTQ Resource Center, which is located in the Kirkhof Center, our student union. The LGBTRC is a focal point for internal support services.</p>
<p>What LGBTQ+ student clubs/organizations does your college offer?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● NeuroQueers: Queer and Neurodivergent Student Group ● T2: Trans & Non-Binary Student Group ● Bi-Furious: Non-Monosexual Student Group ● First-Year Queer Alliance and General Queer Alliance ● Colors of Pride: LGBTQIA+ Students of Color Group ● Ace of Clubs: Asexual & Aromantic Student Group ● In the Margins (registered student org for intersectional writers) ● For Faculty/Staff: LGBT Faculty/Staff Association

<p>Are there gender-inclusive housing options available on campus?</p>	<p>Yes! Click here to learn more re: Inclusive Facilities, Gender Inclusive Housing (Gender Justice House)</p>
<p>Are there gender neutral bathrooms available on campus?</p>	<p>Yes! Click here to learn more about our Inclusive Facilities and to see locations for gender inclusive restrooms and locker rooms at all GVSU Campuses (Allendale, downtown Grand Rapids, Detroit, etc)</p>
<p>What is your university's policy on pronouns/name changes?</p>	<p>GVSU is committed to providing equitable protections to transgender students, faculty and staff. Gender identity and gender expression are protected under university policies. Harassment and discrimination on the basis of gender identity and/or gender expression will continue to be protected and investigated by the university's Title IX office.</p> <p>Click here to read GVSU's Affirmation of Gender Identity and Expression Inclusion.</p> <p>Click here to learn more about the myName program and information on Preferred or Use Name, including details on where names and pronouns will/will not be utilized and your mechanisms for control and agency.</p>
<p>Can pronouns/ chosen names be included on student IDs?</p>	<p>Yes! Click here to learn more about the myName program and information on Preferred or Use Name, including details on where names and pronouns will/will not be utilized and your mechanisms for control and agency.</p> <p>Click here to learn more about the Trans Resources we offer.</p>
<p>Does your college offer any majors, minors, certificate programs or other programs related to LGBTQ studies?</p>	<p>Yes! Click here to learn more about the LGBTQ Minor and LGBTQ studies at GVSU. It is an integrative, interdisciplinary program that examines issues and debates about sexuality and gender.</p> <p>The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Studies Minor housed in our Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies program. Here's some information about SCHOLARSHIPS.</p>

What gender markers are required on university paperwork (such as admissions forms and FAFSA) and are these inclusive of various gender identities?

Click here to learn more about the [myName](#) program and information on [Preferred or Use Name](#), including details on where names and pronouns will/will not be utilized and your mechanisms for control and agency.

We are currently updating all of our admissions and student-facing platforms across campus to allow for prospective students and current students to easily input, update and have agency over their gender identity markers for instances where a legal name/marker is not required.

The gender identity question will allow for students to select all gender identities that apply to them AND the option to input an identity if it is not included in the list.

The LGBTRC provides support and resources for students seeking to undergo a legal name change. Click here to learn more about the [Trans Resources](#) we offer.