

LGBTQ+

FACULTY AND STAFF ASSOCIATION

NOVEMBER 2025

we be-leaf in you!

Welcome to our monthly newsletter to keep LGBTQ+ FSA members updated on our events, opportunities to get involved, and issues affecting the 2SLGBTQIA+ community at GVSU.

In addition to sending the newsletter out via email, we'll also post the newsletters on our website each month.

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CHECK OUT THE LGBTQ+ FSA WEBSITE!
OR EMAIL US AT LGBTFSA@GVSU.EDU

Thank you to everyone who attended the October 15th Resource Fair!

We had a great turnout and appreciate everyone who came through to get information and connect with the resource organizations and offices!

If you attended (for any length of time) we invite you to please fill out a (very short) survey to help us improve the next iteration of the event.

[Take the survey here!](#)





Spotlighting Tyler Moore

he/him

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NOMINATE SOMEONE
FOR A FUTURE
SPOTLIGHT!](#)

What's your connection to GVSU? I graduated from GVSU in 2018 with a bachelor's degree in psychology and a minor in sociology. I recently came back to campus when I accepted a position in Admissions in February and have since migrated to Housing & Residence Life!

What are 3 words you would use to describe yourself? Chiller, Enthusiast, Nerd

What's something in your life you're proud of? In March, a few of my friends created an independent Midwest internet radio station called Redux and approached me about having a show, so I've been making a bi-weekly radio show for about 8 months and it's honestly been so much more fulfilling than I ever would have anticipated. It's just music mixes, but I've met a lot of cool people and we've done some really fun events and it's just been all around a super fun and rewarding experience!

What's something you recommend? So many options, but I'm going to go with this video game called Balatro. It's a rogue-like deck building game, but it uses a regular deck of playing cards and you score points by playing poker hands. I've been playing it for like a year and it's so addictive! Super simple, but also endlessly complex the deeper you get into it. It's also available on mobile so it's really easy to just whip out your phone and do a run on the bus or on your lunch break.



GVSU LGBTQ+ FSA

FALL 2025 EVENTS

SEPT 4

Thursday

HAPPY HOUR

5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

SEPT 30

Tuesday

THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO CAME OUT TO A
FALL EVENT!
WINTER EVENT CALENDAR COMING IN THE
DECEMBER NEWSLETTER!

SECURITY RESOURCE FAIR

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM - Kirkhof 2263

NOV 3

Monday

LUNCH/CRAFT/GAME TIME

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Kirkhof 2270

**HAVE AN IDEA FOR AN EVENT OR WANT
TO MEET UP FOR A COMMUNITY
EVENT? LET US KNOW!**

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3 Ways to get involved with the LGBTQ+ FSA!

Join the Steering Committee!

After the bylaws updates, there are now 2 open spots on the LGBTQ+ FSA steering committee. Current openings are in programming/events and communication. Commitment is only a few hours a month and all steering committee members receive a small stipend for their work each semester. Commitment would be through May 2026, with possibility to continue on if elected in April.

Join the Advocacy Sub-Committee!

Interested in being more involved with 2SLGBTQIA+ advocacy on campus? Consider joining the advocacy sub-committee. This group meets throughout the semester and works on various advocacy projects and events. For the fall, they are focusing on building awareness about resources and for the winter they are focusing on professional development and training.

Attend an event or become an event volunteer!

You can always be involved by attending LGBTQ+ FSA events, but if you want to take it a step further, you can volunteer to host or help with our events. Have an idea for an event? Let us know! We are happy to add more events to our programming calendar, but the steering committee doesn't always have time to host additional events. We are happy to help with planning and organization, then you act as the host the day of the event.

Have questions for the Steering Committee or want to be more involved in the LGBTQ+ FSA?

Please email us at lgbtfsa@gvsu.edu.

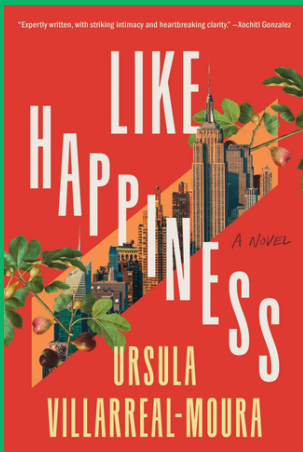
Inclusion & Equity Institute Fall Programs

LGBTQ Foundations Series with the LGBT Resource Center
Creative Wellness: Mindful Making sessions with AJ
and so much more!

Lots of great learning options available this fall!
[Check this page for the full listing.](#)

Community Read with other GVSU FSAs!

This year's selection is *Like Happiness* by Ursula Villarreal-Moura



~~Book discussion 1: Oct 22 - City Campus~~
Book discussion 2 & author visit: Nov 20 -
Valley Campus

For a full schedule of dates and how to find
the book, check out the [Community Read](#)
[webpage.](#)

Save the Date!

Trans Day of Remembrance
Thursday, November 20, 2025
6:00-8:00pm
GVSU City Campus
Collaborative program organized
by the GVSU LGBT Center and
community organizations. More
details coming soon!

Save the Date!

Renaming Celebration!
Tuesday, November 25, 2025
12:30-2:30pm (drop-in)
Kirkhof Center 1161
Milton E. Ford LGBT Resource Center
has re-emerged as The Milt Ford
Legacy Collective | The Rainbow
Resource Center (RRC). More details
coming soon!

WEAR THE RAINBOW *Clothing Drive*



Donate your gently used clothing for our gender-affirming free clothing pop-up shop event on Nov. 15, 1-4pm.

Drop-Off Locations:

GVSU CWGE (1201 KC)
Grand Rapids Pride Center
City Campus Career Center (101B Devos)

Accepted through:

Wednesday, November 12

Special Requests:

Feminine clothing, large sizes. Shoes too!
Unused/unopened cosmetics
Accessories

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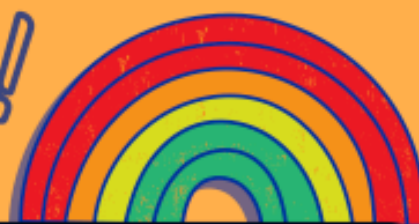
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Volunteers needed for this event!

WEAR THE RAINBOW

*Free clothing
pop-up shop!*



When: Saturday, Nov. 15, 1-4pm

Where:

Hager-Lubbers Exhibition Hall:
Devos 105E (city campus)

What:

Clothes, accessories, gender-
affirming workshops and resources!

Bring shopping bags if you have some

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Host!



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At Inclusive Ottawa County we are scrambling to get as many food and hygiene pantry options available for the next month or so for community members directly affected by the SNAP benefit pause in November. Right now, our most needed items are allergy-friendly foods (gluten free, dairy free, soy free), as well as kosher, Halal and vegetarian options. We also have several free community events throughout the month and a clothing closet that can be shopping during our open hours.

If you are interested in donating or shopping, we are open:

Mondays - 9:30am - 2:00pm
Thursdays - 4:00pm - 7:00pm
Sundays - 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Location:

4950 32nd Ave Suite A,
Hudsonville, MI 49426

[Click here to see Inclusive Ottawa County on Google Maps](#)

Diverse Educators for Change

WINTER COAT DRIVE

Gently used winter coats of all sizes are welcome.



Donation Deadline:

**September 29 to
November 23**

**Scan for Drop Off
Locations**



Instagram: @gvsudec

Email: dec@mail.gvsu.edu

Looking for a great LGBTQ+ books, articles, podcasts, tv shows, movies, etc.?

We've got recommendations! Each month we'll highlight some queer media recommended by LGBT FSA members.

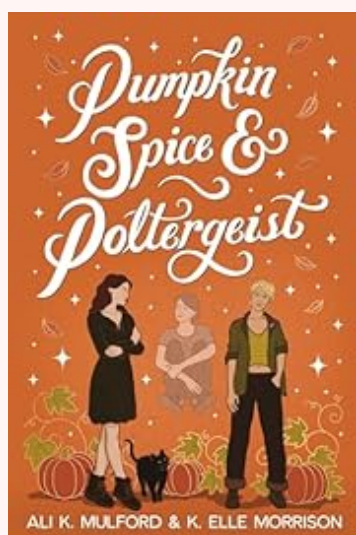
[CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT
A RECOMMENDATION!](#)

Pumpkin Spice & Poltergeist Curses & Cold Brew

Books 1 & 2 in the Maple Hollow series
by Ali K. Mulford & K. Elle Morrison
Recommended by Keigh-Cee Bell

If you're interested in a "bewitching tale of love, laughter, and supernatural shenanigans" these books are for you. Sapphic rom-coms with a paranormal twist might be just what you need to escape reality for a little while. Think Stars Hollow and Gilmore Girls, but with witchy queers.

Available on [Amazon](#)



Join the Out List!

The LGBT FSA and LGBT Resource Center maintain an Out List of LGBTQ+ faculty & staff at GVSU.

You can use this list to find and connect with queer colleagues across campus.

Participation is completely optional. **Click here to add your name to the list!**

In next month's newsletter...

- Fall 2025 Member survey!
- More queer media recs
- Member spotlight
- and more!!

Did a friend send you this?

Email lgbtfsa@gvsu.edu to sign up for the LGBTQ+ Faculty & Staff Association email list!

Have an idea for our newsletter?

Please share it with us!

Check out our [idea submission guidelines](#) & [submission form](#)!