

LGBTQ+ Campus Community Bill of Rights: Sexual Violence Prevention & Response

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1. RIGHT TO COMMUNITY & BELONGING

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to access peer support, affinity spaces, mentorship, and other networks that provide affirmation, solidarity, and resilience.

2. RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to see queer experiences reflected in the broader academic curricula and research programs, student life and campus activities, campus and community leadership roles, and university decision-making processes.

3. RIGHT TO PREVENTION AND SEXUALITY EDUCATION THAT ACCURATELY REPRESENTS LGBTQ+ EXPERIENCES

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to prevention and sexuality education that not only reflects the lived experiences of LGBTQ+ relationships, experiences, and risks, but that also covers social-emotional skill building like communication, interpersonal conflict, emotional regulation, and more. This education should cover historical context and be responsive to the diverse experiences LGBTQ+ people face due to the intersections of ableism, biphobia, classism, homophobia, racism, sexism, and transphobia.

4. RIGHT TO ACCESS INCLUSIVE SPACES

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to safe and affirming housing, bathrooms, locker rooms, and other campus facilities that align with their gender identity and expression.

5. RIGHT TO MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to accessible, affirming, and culturally responsive mental health services that address the unique impacts of stigma, discrimination, and violence. This includes not only therapeutic services like therapy and support groups, but whole-being measures such as movement (e.g., dance, exercise, and martial arts), spirituality (e.g., meditation, yoga, and mindfulness), and healing through the arts (e.g., art, music, and theatre).

6. RIGHT TO AFFIRMING HEALTH SERVICES

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to access culturally responsive, gender and sexuality affirming health care free from stigma, bias, or discrimination. This includes sexual, reproductive, and gender-affirming care.

7. RIGHT TO SAFETY & PROTECTION FROM HARM

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to live, learn, and thrive on campus without fear of harassment, assault, violence, or retaliation.

8. RIGHT TO SURVIVOR-CENTERED SUPPORT & VOICE

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to report harm, share their stories, and advocate for change without silencing, dismissal, or retaliation. They have the right to access counseling, advocacy, medical care, legal resources, and other support services and processes that are culturally responsive and trauma-informed.

9. RIGHT TO CONFIDENTIALITY & AUTONOMY

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to confidentiality in reporting policies and the autonomy to choose whether and how to engage with university processes after experiencing harm.

10. RIGHT TO ALTERNATIVE JUSTICE OPTIONS

Every LGBTQ+ person in our campus community has the right to pursue justice in ways that reflect their needs, reduce harm to their community, align with their values, and center both personal and community healing, growth, restoration, and transformation.