Queer-e, LGBTQIA+ events newsletter, Nov. 8, 2021

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The Stonewall Center's LGBTQIA+ Foundations and Allyship web course is now available for UMass staff, faculty, and students

The course offers an independent, self-paced learning experience around the foundations of sexuality, gender, gender identity, and allyship. It is designed for UMass Amherst faculty, staff, and students to learn about strategies and resources to support LGBTQIA+ people.

Faculty and staff who complete the training can receive a placard for their office that states that “this is a welcoming space for LGBTQIA+ people” and be listed on the Stonewall Center’s website as having taken the course. People can enroll here.

Binders Available and Wanted

The Stonewall Center has chest binders available for students to borrow for free. We are also looking for donations of binders, particularly in large and extra-large. Simply stop by to borrow or donate.

FEATURED EVENT

“Beyond Awareness: Creating a Space for Asexual and Aromantic People”
Tues., Nov. 9, 6 p.m., via Zoom. Register here
A panel discussion featuring:
Yasmin Benoit, a prominent lingerie and alternative model and a leading asexual activist
Julie Sondra Decker, the author of The Invisible Orientation: An Introduction to Asexuality and a popular YouTuber
August and Leon, the leaders of the SpACE+, the asexual+ group at UMass Amherst

Sponsored by the SpACE+ and the Stonewall Center.

**FEATURED EVENT**
Therapy Dog Hour with Peanut
**Wed., Nov. 10, 5-6 p.m., new location: 162-75 Campus Center**

Come de-stress with Peanut (our favorite therapy dog) and other LGBTQIA+ students.

**FEATURED EVENT**
Queer Bands Night for Trans Awareness Week
**Sat., Nov. 13, 7 p.m., Agricultural Engineering**

Featuring Space Camp, Film and Gender, How 2 Obliterate Gender, and Eli. $5 suggested donation. Sponsored by Students for Alternative Music (SALT).

**FEATURED EVENT**
Queer Faith Space
**Mon., Nov. 15, 7 p.m., 174 Campus Center**

Join the Stonewall Center, the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life, and other campus religious organizations to talk about the relationship between faith, spirituality, and queer identities.

**UMass Events and Announcements**

*Bi/Pan/Queer Collective Meeting*
**Tues., Nov. 9 (& every Tues.), 7 p.m., Stonewall Center**

BPQC is a weekly social group for bisexual, pansexual, queer, and sexually fluid students. The topic of the meeting is queer icons. Connect with them via Discord [here](https://discord.com).
LGBTQIA+ Discussion and Support Group  
**Wed., Nov. 10 (& every Wed.), 6:30-8 p.m., 102 Wilder Hall (CMASS)**

Open to all Five College Students. Come for conversation, community, and support. Sponsored by the Stonewall Center.

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LGBTQ+ Grad Student Discussion and Support Space  
**Wed., Nov. 10 (& every other Wed.), 7-8 p.m., via Zoom**

A peer-facilitated space for LGBTQ+ grad students to meet each other, build community, and give mutual support and care. Meeting ID: 962 4628 6861

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Trans & Gender-Nonconforming Student Support Group  
**Thurs., Nov. 11 (& every Thurs.), 5:30-6:30 p.m., via Zoom**

Free and open to UMass and other Five College students. Facilitated by the Center for Counseling and Psychological Health (CCPH). Call Brad Landon or Beth Prullage at CCPH if interested in joining: 413-545-2337.

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The SpACE+ Asexual/Aromantic Meeting  
**Thurs., Nov. 11, 7 p.m., via Zoom**

The SpACE+ is a group for students who are asexual, demisexual, gray asexual, and elsewhere on the asexual spectrum. The group will meet the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month over Zoom.

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Screening of the Classic Film *Yentl*  
**Wed., Nov. 17, 7 p.m., Hillel**

Join Kehilah, Hillel's LGBTQ+ group, for a screening of the iconic queer Jewish film *Yentl*. Food will be provided. A discussion of the film will follow on November 19th at 2:30 p.m. at Hillel.

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Registration is open for the Spring UMass course  
**EDUC 202: Dialogue across Race and Ethnic Identities**  
**Thursdays 4-6:30 p.m.**

This 4-credit general education course (SB) (DU) provides students with knowledge and leadership skills while fostering a commitment to racial justice. Students participate in small co-facilitated race/ethnicity dialogues exploring issues of race, racism, and racial justice, and build skills to work across differences. Course website [here](#)

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Local Events and Announcements
PFLAG Franklin-Hampshire Chapter Meeting  
**Tues., Nov. 9 (& the 2nd & 4th Tues. of each month), on Zoom**

For more info and the Zoom link, email them or contact them through Facebook.

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**Pioneer Valley Aces, Aros, & Allies (PVAAA) Online Book Club Discussion of "Elatsoe," a YA fantasy/magic realism/murder mystery featuring an Indigenous asexual teen protagonist**  
**Mon., Dec. 6, 6:30-7:30 p.m., on Zoom**

PVAAA is a meetup that is open to anyone who identifies as asexual, aromantic, or questioning. Come for conversation, community, and support. The meetup is confidential -- you must become a member to get the Zoom link.

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