

Gay Affairs
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Some Problems and Areas of Concern for Lesbian and Gay Male Students

- (1) The greater potential for isolation and loneliness due to the lack of student activities in which the gay student feels accepted.
- (2) The feeling of bearing a great stigma.
- (3) The fear and sporadic occurrence of verbal harassment and vilification and physical abuse. Also the lack of peer support under such attacks.
- (4) The fear of losing University jobs or career opportunities and advancements. The issue of equal employment protection.
- (5) The loss of friendships and of personal respect experienced by gay persons.
- (6) The role of the educational process in promoting understanding (or lack thereof) of homosexuality. Literature, history, psychology, sociology, education classes. Is the educational process successful viewed as a whole?
- (7) The concerns of gay students who use University services available to all students. for example, Student Health, the Counseling Center, Career Planning, etc. Are gay students aware of resources available to help with problems? Are their needs being dealt with effectively or can some improvements possibly be made?
- (8) Relations between the University and the gay student group.

(9) Harassment of gay student leaders in particular.

(10) Landlord/Tenant
(11) Local Business Discrimination

Some Student Resources that May Be Relevant to Item (7) Above

(1) Student Health
Univ. Counseling Center - equipped to deal with gays' problems

(2) ARC
FHA
I-FC
I-SC
FYC
300-GH

Equal Opportunity Counseling - Do gays have any protection at all? No equal employ. for gays a valid concept within context of E.O. Counseling.

United Ministries -

Student Legal Services - protect rights of gays - any gay cases?

CCMS - Peer Counseling for gays struggling over identity or relationship problems

✓ Ombudsmen - do gays call? Info available? Gay Direct app. help?

University Housing Office - Gay housing diser. against gays via marriage laws - off grounds discrim.

University Union - sensitivity to gay interests? Helps create comm. includ. gays?

The Gay Student Union

Liason Program - Newsletter-Info.

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Career Planning & Placement



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