Are you currently a queer student leader? Are you interested in being a student leader in a queer organization? Do you want to participate in the LGBTRC’s last leadership retreat on Saturday, April 14, 2012? Then register for the retreat online!

Register for the retreat online: click me: retreat registration
*note: maximum space for the retreat is 25 students

This group is for all queer student leaders who are interested in fostering leadership development, collaboration, discussing intersecting and multiple identities, and an interest in planning student retreats and conference delegations. Like us on facebook: here

Join us Monday, April 16, 2012 for Spring 2012’s Volunteer training! Get involved, get educated in Social Justice and get acquainted with the folks that frequent the community! Take advantage of this opportunity to gain basic experience in a community center while having fun doing so! Hope to see you there!!
Blame it on the Alcohol
LGBT Resource Center Conference Room
April 17 | 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Join us for this Sexual Assault Awareness Month program. We will have a dialogue about LGBT party culture, alcohol, and consent. Discussion topics include: alcohol awareness, information on sexual violence, tips to party responsibly, and more! Light refreshments will be served. If you have any questions, please email Michelle Strange at mdstrange@ucsd.edu.

Speakers Bureau Panelist Training
LGBT Resource Center Conference Room
April 18 | 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Hey Community Peeps,

I'm hosting Speakers Bureau Panelist Training and want to see your smiling faces. Speaker's Bureau is a group of LGBT folks and allies (students, staff, and faculty) trained to represent the diversity of the UCSD LGBT community to a variety of groups and organizations interested in providing education regarding LGBT issues. Speaker's Bureau is open to all members of the community and we strongly encourage people that are of color, trans, bisexual, fluid, and women to join. Please attend the panelist training and learn about how you can share YOUR story! Time commitment is low and trainings are tons of fun! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Eliseo at lgbtspeakers@ucsd.edu.

UC San Diego's Out and Proud Week
Library Week
April 23 - 27

Mark your calendars for this year's Out and Proud Week! Out and Proud Week presents the largest opportunity for community visibility on the UCSD campus. It is a week-long group celebration and private reflection on the achievements of LGBTQI-identified students, staff, and faculty and our allies. It is also a time for public awareness and discussion of current LGBT issues on the state and national levels. We will table on Library Walk all week and will also have events each day. For event details click here: Out and Proud Week At-A-Glance. For more information or if you’d like to volunteer, please contact Vanidy at vbailey@ucsd.edu.

Post-Secret Writing for Out and Proud Week
LGBT Resource Center Conference Room
April 18 | 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Hey y'all! For Out and Proud Week, the interns at the RC
would love it if community members could write about their experiences with their queer identity. We want to challenge the idea that in order to be proud of our identities, that queerfolk have to be "out" to everyone in their life. Some of us are only out to our parents, some of us to our best friends, and some of us are out with ourselves. We honor and respect who everyone is out to and feel you do not have to be "out" to everyone in your life to be proud of who you are.

That said, we'd love it if people would write about their stories ANONYMOUSLY on paper leaves in the Resource Center that will then be put up on a paper tree. Come to our program or just drop by the Resource Center to participate in this wondrous event.

LGBT Visitors
Week 1
Students: 261
Staff: 25
Alumni: 1
Guests: 7
Total: 294

Proud & Out
LGBT Resource Center Conference Room
April 25 | 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Discuss differing notions and ideas on what it means to be out and proud. Also, challenging the notion of why queer and LGBT folks have to be out to be proud and what it means to be out and to be in the closet. Come join us for a lively discussion. Contact Noel at nmagtoto@ucsd.edu if you have questions.

Staff & Faculty Highlight
Dine Out for Life
April 26

Welcome all UC San Diego Faculty and Staff! The UC San Diego LGBT Resource Center serves our entire community including students, staff, alumni, and our faculty. We are proud to have YOU as a part of our family.

Don't miss The Center's Fifth Annual Dining Out for Life San Diego! On Thursday, April 26, 2012, more than 100 restaurants, bars, coffee houses, nightclubs and more will donate 25-100% of sales to The Center's HIV/AIDS services and prevention programs. Grab your family and friends and dine out for breakfast, lunch and dinner on Thursday, April 26 and 25-100% of sales benefit The Center's HIV/AIDS initiatives. For more information, visit http://events.thecentersd.org/DOFL or call 619.692.2011 x204.

Graduate Student Highlight
Combating Homophobia and Transphobia in the Classroom
The Zone
April 25 | 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Welcome graduate students to the UC San Diego LGBT Resource Center. Our Center
serves all constituents of the UC San Diego community, including and especially our graduate students. Our space is open to all constituents, although we know from our statistics that the majority of the folks who use our space on a daily basis are undergraduate students. However, our second largest category is graduate students, so we encourage you to make the Resource Center your own.

"When we turn from anger, we turn from insight, saying we will accept only the designs already known, deadly and safely familiar."

-- Audre Lorde

This session is a roundtable discussion regarding the harsh realities surrounding homophobia and transphobia in the classroom. This discussion will provide graduate students and professors with a healing space regarding the various experiences around combating homophobia and transphobia in classroom settings. Participants will be given tools around creating welcoming spaces for LGBT students and academic professionals. Presented by Vanidy Bailey; LGBT Resource Center. Note: All interested participants must RSVP for this event to icrowelerma@ucsd.edu. In order for this event to occur, at least 5 participants need to RSVP.

**Library Giveaway**

In the efforts to clear up space for new items within the library, we are giving away old VHS's, so feel free to browse and take whatever strikes your fancy!

Note: maximum of 3 items per person, please. Thank you.

**Women's Group**

*LGBT Resource Center, Heritage Room*  
**Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**

Women's Group is a space for female-identified members of the UCSD community to discuss general, specific, or personal issues in an informal and comfortable atmosphere. We meet in a respected space, so all information and identities are kept confidential. If you identify as transgender, cisgender, lesbian, bisexual, queer, straight or are questioning your sexual orientation, stop by Women's Group to meet other like minded women and gain support from your peers. If you have any questions or would like more information, feel free to e-mail us at womensgroup.ucsd@gmail.com.

**Outside the Box Forum**

*Cross Cultural Center, Tranquility Room*  
**Thursdays | 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

Outside the box forum is an open dialogue and safe space for people of multiracial/multiethnic, mixed race, and other non-dominant identities to share personal experiences and -- be heard.

**The Coming Out Group**

*UCSD Women's Center, Small Conference Room*  
**Mondays | 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.**
The Coming Out group is a place to meet and gain support while discussing your sexual and/or gender identities in a confidential setting. This group is for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, straight, or questioning folks who are coming out, considering coming out or may already be out. Topics are determined by group participants and can include stress, fear, anxiety, loneliness, excitement and celebration with regard to coming out. For more info, please contact Cat Thompson at cathompson@ucsd.edu or Agustin Orozco at aorozco@ucsd.edu. If you are an individual with a disability who requires an accommodation, please contact Vanidy Bailey at 858-822-3493 or at vbailey@ucsd.edu.

Please note that the Coming Out group for Spring quarter will be on MONDAYS 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. at the Women's Center, not Tuesdays like last quarter. It is open to new members through week 3 (April 16th) and will then be closed to maintain safety in the group.

**Queer Youth Empowerment Day**
*UCLA*
May 19 | 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
*Deadline to register: May 11*

Queer Youth Empowerment Day at UCLA is a one day conference designed to bring queer youth of color, as well as their teachers, parents, and allies for a unique and exciting educational experience at UCLA. Hosted by UCLA’s Project 1, the conference explores the issues that queer youth of color face in the 21st century, with the hope of inspiring and empowering them to pursue higher education and become agents of transformative change in their communities. This year’s theme is "Empower Youth Voice!" and will feature guest performer Kay Barrett! Lunch and transportation will be provided! To register, please visit bit.ly/queerempowerment. For more information, please email queeryouthempowermentday12@gmail.com.

**Queer Latino Youth Conference 2012**
*Stanford University*
April 21 | 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

La Familia de Stanford is hosting a Queer Latino Youth Conference to promote visibility, activism, and advancement for LGBTQ-identified Latinos/as. The theme will be "Expressing Identity Through Art and Activism." The conference will stimulate discourse with regard to the intersection of LGBTQ/latino/a identity, will address challenges specific to this demographic, and will explore and celebrate modes of expressing this identity through activism, performance and writing, literature and theory, and health and relationships. You can register to attend the conference at familia.stanford.edu (go to the Queer Latino Youth Conference page, click on the "Register Here!" tab). Alternatively, you can simply click on the following link: Register Here!
National Conference for College Women Student Leaders: Leadership for Today and Tomorrow  
*University of Maryland, College Park*  
May 31 - June 2  
*Early-bird Registration Deadline: April 13*

AAUW and NASPA proudly present the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders - Leadership for Today and Tomorrow, the only conference that brings together college women to address important and contemporary leadership issues. The conference provides a transformative experience for attendees, and students to return home ready to improve their campuses and their communities.

Early-bird registration ends this Friday! Please visit [www.nccwsl.org](http://www.nccwsl.org) for more information.

**LGBT Business: Diversity, Equality, and LGBT Markets**  
*SDSU Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center*  
April 16 | 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

On Monday, April 16, 2012, there will be a FLUID (Finding Leadership Under Identity) lecture from 6:30-7:45 p.m. at the Parma Payne Goodall Alumni Center on the SDSU campus. This lecture will feature a panel who will discuss several LGBT Business Topics including diversity, inclusion, equality, and markets/marketing strategies. I've attached a flyer to the email. If you could help us spread the word, we would sincerely appreciate it. This lecture would be great for anyone interested in Business, Marketing, Diversity, or Human Resources. For more information about the FLUID Public Lecture Series, go to [www.sdsu.edu/diversity](http://www.sdsu.edu/diversity).

**Queer & Asian Conference "Connect, Collide, Create"**  
*UC Berkeley*  
April 27 - April 29  
*Deadline to register: April 25*

QACON is an annual conference seeking to educate individuals and initiate discussion around the intersectionalities of the queer and Asian communities. This year's conference "Collide, Connect, Create" invests in the opportunities generated when we engage in each other's struggles and needs, share knowledge and resources, foster political education, and cultivate leadership among students and between movements. Whether you are working on a particular campaign, reclaiming a Queer and Asian identity, or discovering new ways of self-care, we invite you to join us for a weekend of thoughtful dialogue, social bonding, and Queer and Asian empowerment. This conference is free to attend for anyone interested in coming. For more information, please visit [http://calqacon.com/](http://calqacon.com/).

**Calling All Artists!**
Interested in displaying your art throughout the LGBT Resource Center? Look no further! The LGBT RC is expanding its community art section and is looking for community members to submit art to be displayed within the library. Paintings, drawings, poetry, photography, sculptures—we welcome all forms of art! If you are interested or would like to find out more information, please email Alina at asau@ucsd.edu.

Research Study: UNL Gay Attitudes Study

A study examining queer minority men's attitudes about racism and daily life events is being conducted in order to better understand the attitudes and behaviors of men across the US and to develop therapeutic techniques for such individuals.

If you would like to participate, please visit https://www.facebook.com/UNL GAS or contact Aaron Hurtado at aaron.hurtado89@gmail.com or Dy. Cynthia Willis-Esqueda at cwillis-esqueda1@unl.edu.