Weekly Update

WOMEN'S CENTER & LGBTQ+ PROGRAMS

WEEK OF MARCH 14TH

GREETINGS FROM MELISSA!

Hello!

Happy Spring Break week! I hope that you're taking some time to rest and do some things that you enjoy!

Last week was AMAZING - thank you to everyone who came out to our various events for Sex [Ed] Fest and to our inaugural She Speaks event!

We wanted to go ahead and send out a newsletter this week to let you know about a few things that we have going on currently or are coming up very soon:

- We're in the middle of a Period Product Drive and collecting supplies until the end of the month!
- Registration for the 4th annual Women's Leadership Conference is open until March 22nd
- The week after Spring Break is our second annual Bi+ Community week - check out the calendar of events below and apply to be spotlighted on our social media if you're a part of the Bi+ community!
- A fun tie-dye and stress relief event

As always, please reach out if you have any questions, and have a wonderful week!

Take care,
Melissa
Program Coordinator
Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs

CHECK OUT OUR UPCOMING PROGRAMS!



PERIOD PRODUCT DRIVE

Many people within the Milledgeville community are impacted by a lack of access to menstrual products. Period hygiene should not be a privilege but a human right. Help us fight against period poverty with our Period Product Drive!"



WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Coinciding with Women's History Month, the Women's Leadership Conference on March 25th from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. gives participants the opportunity to explore their leadership. The conference incorporates students, staff, alumni, faculty and community members as speakers and presenters in order to give our participants access to a wide variety of experiences and knowledge. The content engages our participants in critical thought around their role as a leader to create meaningful change.

Registration is open until March 22nd - you can register here.



BI+ COMMUNITY WEEK EVENTS

Join LGBTQ+ Programs for a week of events dedicated to recognizing the Bi+ community. Learn what it means to be Bi+, what health disparities the community faces, how biphobia harms bi+ people and the LGBTQ+ community, and steps you can take to be a better ally to Bi+ people. All of the events are also a great way to meet other Bi+ people and make new friends! We can't wait to see you there!



BI+ COMMUNITY MEMBER SPOTLIGHTS

The Women's Center & LGBTQ+ Programs is looking to spotlight members of the Bi+ community for Bi+ Community Week (March 21-24). The Bi+ community consists of all those who are attracted to multiple genders and includes bisexual, pansexual, polysexual, omnisexual, fluid, heteroflexible, homoflexible, queer, & bi-curious individuals. Let us know what being Bi+ is like and what the Bi+ community means to you. Students, staff, faculty, and community members are all encouraged to participate! The deadline for the form to be completed is March 20th - you can check it out here.



SPIRALING THE STRESS AWAY

The GC Women's Center and LGBTQ+ Programs invites you to tie-dye with us on the front porch of the HUB on March 22nd from 5:30-6:30. Tie-dye kits will be provided, just bring any white fabric that will fit into a gallon-sized Ziplock bag. Never tie-dyed before? No worries! We will walk you through the process. Take a break from academic stress and make something creative!



S.T.A.R. ALLY TRAINING FOR THE SPRING SEMESTER!

LGBTQ+ Programs has one more in-person S.T.A.R. Ally training for the Spring semester! (Monday, March 28th, 5-8:30). Please register here: https://bit.ly/gcstarspr22

The S.T.A.R. Ally (Support, Teach, Affirm, Respect; previously known as Safe Space) program advances one of Georgia College's guiding principles of "instilling respect for human diversity and individuality" by affirming people of all sexual and gender identities and lessening the prejudice that limits the university experience, and well-being of LGBTQ+ identified students, faculty, staff, facility members, and administrators.

The overarching goals of S.T.A.R. Ally training are to increase participants' awareness and knowledge of LGBTQ+ people's identities and experiences and provide the skills to be an ally for the LGBTQ+ community at Georgia College and beyond.

Please note: these training will be held in person and masks are strongly encouraged. S.T.A.R. Ally training cannot be made mandatory training for any individual or group. If you are interested in having your organization or group trained, don't hesitate to contact the LGBTQ+ Programs Coordinator to discuss your needs.

Additionally, individuals who identify as LGBTQ+ are welcome and invited to attend S.T.A.R. Ally, however, some of the activities and content covered may be challenging for members of the LGBTQ+ community, especially those who have had negative experiences related to their identity previously. Please reach out to melissa.gerrior@gcsu.edu if you have further questions or concerns.

OTHER DATES TO SAVE

March 25, 2022 - Women's Leadership Conference
April 29, 2022 - Lavender Graduation

CHECK OUT THE MENSTRUATION STATIONS ACROSS CAMPUS!

Through a partnership with the Student Government Association, Menstruation Station baskets have been installed in bathrooms across campus offering free menstrual products to students. These baskets are perfect for days when you are caught off-guard. Each station is numbered and if you see an empty station just text the station number to phone number on the sign. For more info visit our website. Want to request a menstruation station at another location on campus? Fill out this form.



JOIN OUR TEAM!

We love interns - fill out this form if you're interested in interning with us!



DONATE!

Want to help us accomplish our goals? By donating to the Georgia College Foundation and directing your gift to either the Women's Center or LGBTQ+ Programs you can help us make a difference in the lives of the students we work with!

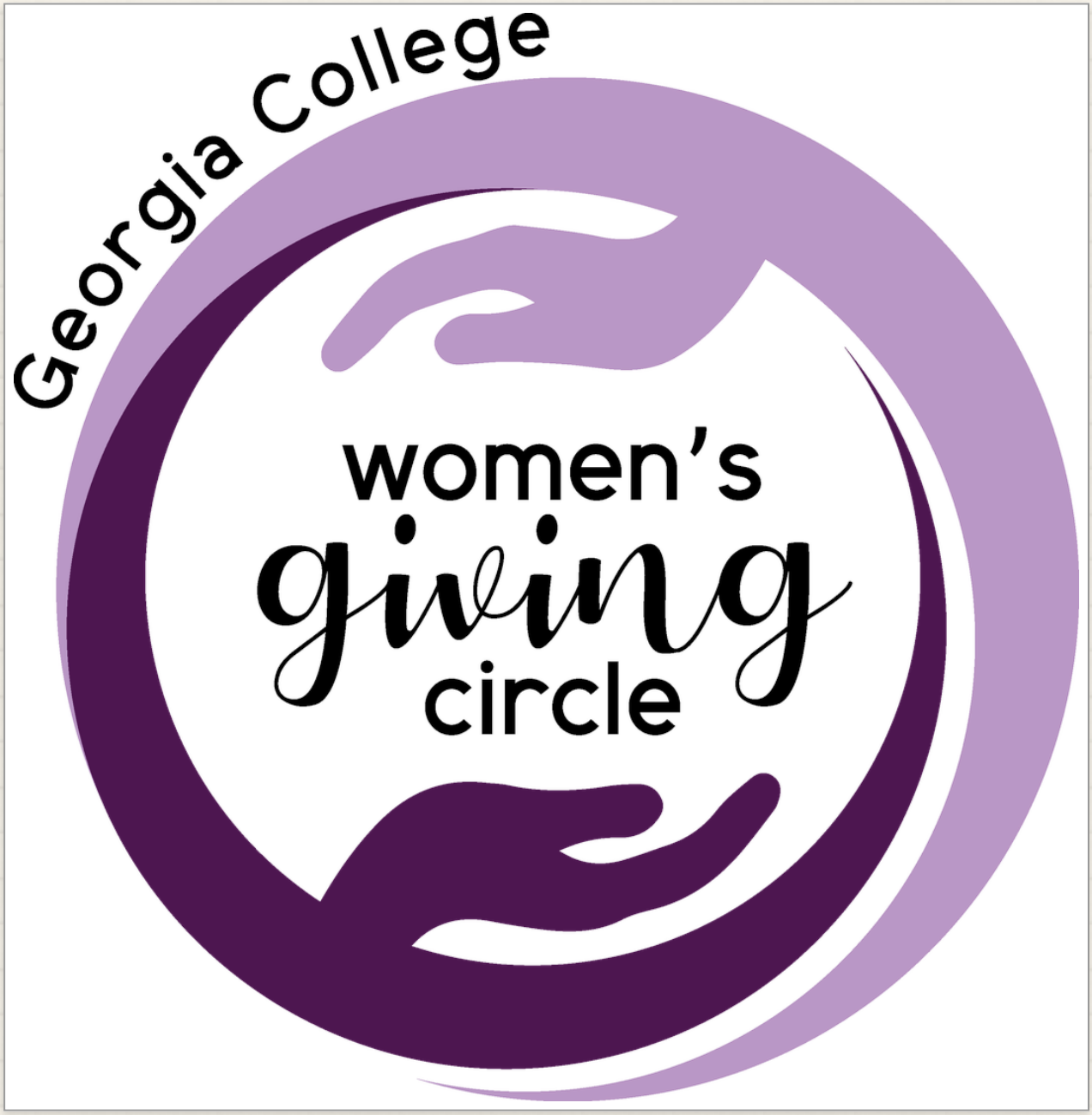
To give to the Women's Center or LGBTQ+ Programs, click here.

For either fund, select "Other" on the Designation box and search for either "Women's Resource Center" or "LGBTQ+ Program Fund." You can then select either a one-time or recurring gift!

WOMEN'S GIVING CIRCLE

The Georgia College Women's Center and the Georgia College Foundation are excited to establish a Women's Giving Circle (WGC)! The GC Women's Giving Circle will amplify the power of collaborative philanthropic efforts to help support areas of need across campus while simultaneously building community and transforming the lives of students. Members contribute an annual gift to the fund and gather to determine where the collective dollars are

granted. By motivating and inspiring women as leaders, donors, and advocates, we can transform women's giving to create greater impact!



CONNECT WITH US!

RAINBOW THUNDERCHAT



Fill out the form at the QR Code to get access!

What is Rainbow Thunderchat?

We're using Discord to create a supportive and affirming online space for the GC LGBTQ+ community!

What's on Rainbow Thunderchat?

Community conversations, announcements, listening and reading suggestions, etc.
Also cute pet pics. Lots of those.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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