RESOURCES HELPFUL TO LGBTQIA+ STUDENTS

The resources listed below are available to every student. We recognize that LGBTQIA+ students may have unique experiences or specific concerns, so we have highlighted resources that may be especially relevant and supportive for members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

Furman Pride Alliance (FPA)

FPA is a student organization which provides space for students who do not identify with society's normative gender or sexual roles and their allies. Instagram **@furmanpridealliance** or search for Furman Pride Alliance using the QR code or furman.campuslabs.com/engage

Out at Furman

A supportive community of faculty, staff & students who celebrate the range of sexuality and gender expression found throughout campus. We embrace opportunities to create a welcoming and affirming environment for all. Instagram **@furmanpride** or use this link or QR code.

LGBTQIA+ Ambassadors

Our LGBTQIA+ Ambassadors are available to answer questions about belonging on campus and provide LGBTQIA+ resources (both on and off campus) to all current and prospective faculty, staff and students.

Pride Tuesdays

An opportunity to enhance LGBTQIA+ visibility and belonging on Furman's campus, celebrate Pride Tuesdays (first Tuesday of every month) by wearing your Furman Pride apparel and socializing from 11a-noon with coffee & cookies (Trone Student Center Lobby).

Single-occupancy restroom map

Click here or use the QR code to access a map of all single-use restrooms across Furman's campus.

Furman Pride resources

Click here or use the QR code to fill out a quick request form to join our mailing list or request a FREE Furman Pride T-shirt. You can also download the Furman Pride Graphic.

Demographic information

Instructions on how to make changes to demographic information and/or to record the correct pronunciation of your name in workday can be found here.

The Trone Center for Mental Fitness

The Trone Center for Mental Fitness (Counseling Center) at Furman University provides counseling services to support the mental health and well-being of all students on campus. The center emphasizes the importance of affirming care and routinely offers both individual and group support for LGBTQIA+ students. Contact Kristin Worden (kristin.worden@furman.edu)

Emergency funds

Funds are available to support students who are facing financial hardships. These funds are limited and unable to cover expenses related to tuition, room and board. Please fill out this application or use the QR code to request emergency funds.

Professional development funds

Funds are available to support professional development for students, including knowledge/skill development, career exploration and networking opportunities. Please fill out this application or use the QR code to request these funds.

Questions? This resource list is maintained by the LGBTQIA+ Affairs committee. For any questions, comments, or changes, please email Adi Dubash (adi.dubash@furman.edu) or fill out this form.

Resources Helpful to LGBTQIA+ Students

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Earle Student Health Center

At the Earle Health Center, our goal is to provide inclusive and compassionate care to every student we serve. As an integral part of the College Campus community, a significant portion of our services involves sexual and reproductive health, including STD testing, birth control, and PrEP therapy. Contact Dr. Ann Gilchrist (ann.knowles@prismahealth.org)

Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies

The WGSS Program proudly provides an inclusive and interdisciplinary home for all students interested in exploring the construction of gender and sexuality. We offer a major and minor and are constantly expanding our course offerings, which currently include courses that explore contested constructions of gender and sexuality across space and time. Instagram **@wgssatfurman** or contact Kathleen Casey (kathleen.casey6@furman.edu).

Housing and Residence Life

Housing and Residence Life is committed to cultivating an inclusive community where students develop a sense of belonging through social and educational programming. Questions about campus housing can be directed to housingandresidencelife@furman.edu or Ashley Ivins (ashley.ivins@furman.edu)

Housing over break

Students who need Furman housing over breaks should contact Stephanie Boyd, Associate Dean of Student Success and Wellbeing (stephanie.boyd@furman.edu). Financial assistance with meal plans is also available.

Reporting discrimination and/or harassment

Furman University does not condone or tolerate sexual misconduct, discrimination, or harassment. If you have been bullied or harassed because of your sexual orientation or gender identity or if you experience sexual assault or dating violence, please report the incident(s) via this link or QR code. You may also reach out directly to Melissa Nichols, Civil Rights Officer and Title IX Coordinator, (melissa.nichols@furman.edu).

Center for Interpersonal Connections

The CIC strives to advance students' intentional engagement with diverse communities to promote thriving environments that foster belonging, connection, and growth for everyone through education, programming, and experiential opportunities. The CIC also provides focused resources and training to support LGBTQIA+ students and those seeking to expand their understanding of LGBTQIA+ identities, ensuring that every student is affirmed and equipped to thrive. Contact Franklin Ellis (franklin.ellis@furman.edu).

Furman Libraries

Books, eBooks, articles, media and open access resources on LGBTQ+ people and issues can be obtained via the library's LGBTQ+ Resource Page. The libraries are bound by legal and ethical requirements to maintain privacy regarding the books and articles you borrow or read. Ask a librarian for book requests (libraryreference@furman.edu).

Student Office for Accessibility Resources

SOAR proudly supports LGBTQIA+ students with disabilities. We work with students to establish reasonable accommodations in housing and academics related to disabilities such as depression, anxiety, ADHD and more. In addition, SOAR provides for all students the SOAR Sensory Lounge (found in Hipp Hall 013), the SOAR Social/Study Space (Hipp Hall 010), and the opportunity for students with disabilities to receive student success coaching by request. Call (864) 294-2320 or email soar@furman.edu

The Malone Center for Career Engagement

The Malone Center supports LGBTQIA+ students and alumni with career advising appointments. Access identity-based career resources to help navigate questions about how intersecting identities may impact your career. Contact Lauren Payne (lauren.payne@furman.edu).

Office of Spiritual Life

The Office of Spiritual Life provides confidential support and counseling to all students and offers LGBTQIA+ programming throughout the year including an active campus group, Sexuality and Faith Exploration (SAFE), CLP lectures, and small group experiences. Contact Vaughn CroweTipton (vaughn.crowetipton@furman.edu).