

LGBT+ Research Conference Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019

# **University and College Union**

# Presents

# I Want To Be Me: Contextualising Self-Identities

A one-day conference for academics, researchers and activists conducting research on sexual orientation and gender identity issues and / or Bisexual, Gay, Intersex, Lesbian, Queer, Trans, .. lives.

## Friday May 17<sup>th</sup> 2019, 10am – 4pm

#### University of Manchester

the aim of this conference is to explore how LGBT+ people have experienced and / or are experiencing actions and discourse around their self-identities. This may include gender and sexual identity, intersectionality, desire, relationships, experience across the lifespan, politics, and solidarity.

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This conference is open to all, you don't have to be a UCU member to attend this event. The conference is free to attend.

UCU does not cover expenses to attend this event.

Register online:

https://ucu.wufoo.com/forms/ucu-lgbt-research-conference-2019/



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#### CALL FOR PAPERS

Proposals (of no more than 500 words) should be sent to: Seth Atkin e mail: <u>satkin@ucu.org.uk</u>. Papers should include a 50 word statement explaining the relationship between the paper and the theme and how it relates to LGBT+ issues / lives. There will be a peer review process following submission. **The deadline date for submission is 4pm Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February**.

Proposals are welcomed on, but not limited to:

- Heteronormativity as context for LGBT+ identity
- Impact of and overcoming prejudice and discrimination
- Negotiating invisibility and visibility personal, culture, society, media
- Disparities and dialogue: access to services, money + social resources
- Realisation or otherwise of life aspirations and expectations
- LGBT+ identities and impact in public health research and advocacy
- Differences across the lifespan: childhood, teenage, adult, older age
- Locating identity levels of outness, digital expression, communities
- Collectivity and Solidarity sites and means of organising and action
- Differences in thinking about sexuality and sexual practices
- Understandings of sex: protected characteristic, intersex, biodiversity
- Gender Identities: trans, non-binary, queering, querying, power
- Deconstructing binaries
- Intersectional LGBT+ identities class / disability / race / religion
- Cultural differences
- Good As You, not the same as you: LGBT+ identity, stories & struggles
- Histories of and present difference –margins, competing, contestation
- Recovering LGBT+ histories
- International perspectives: stipulations, struggles, self-actualisation
- LGBT+ in policy and practice: equality, legislation, usualising diversity
- Liberation LGBT+ and intersectional approaches / aspirations

Proposals to deliver the research papers can be for a cademic or action research covering theory and / or practice.



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#### **Key dates**

Close of call for papers 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY

Deadline for registration 1<sup>st</sup> MAY

Conference 17<sup>th</sup> MAY

## **CONFIRMED SPEAKERS:**

#### Flora Renz

Flora will be speaking about relationships between gender identity and culture / law

## **Quinn Roache**

Quinn will be speaking about current TUC LGBT+ research including contemporary LGBT+ experiences and impact of intersectionality

# On Friday 17th May

Conference doors open: 10.00am

**Close of Conference: 4.00pm** 

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This is the  $5^{\text{th}}$  conference organised by UCU to support and promote LGBTQI+ research.