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Abstract: The LGBT Center supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, and asexual (LGBTQIA) students and employees by providing community-building, education, events and initiatives. During the summer, undergraduate and graduate students interview LGBTQIA alumni and current and former LGBTQIA staff and faculty to learn about their lives, particularly their experiences being LGBTQIA (out and not out) at Princeton, and their perceptions of the climate for LGBTQIA people at Princeton at different points in time.
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The Princeton LGBT Center grew from the worked conducted by graduate students in the offices of the Dean of the Chapel and the Dean of Student Life beginning in 1989. In the early 2000s, Princeton professionalized the coordination of LGBT student activities by creating a LGBT Student Services Coordinator position. In 2006, the LGBT Center opened its doors and continues to supports and empowers lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, and asexual students and employees by providing community-building, education, events and initiatives.

The Princeton LGBTQIA Oral History Project launched in the summer of 2017 and is a partnership between by the LGBT Center, Princeton Bisexual Transgender Gay and Lesbian Alumni/Fund for Reunion (BTGALA/FFR), Community-Based Learning Initiative, the Program in Gender and Sexuality Studies, and the University Archives, with support from the Provost's Office's Princeton Histories Fund.

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The project is coordinated by the LGBT Center and the Princeton LGBTQIA Oral History Project Advisory Board, whose members are: Suman Chakraborty ’97 (Board Co-Chair), Christina Chica ’15, Gill Frank (Visiting Fellow at P's Center for the Study of Religion), Howard Gertler ’96, Lelabari Giwa-Ojuri ’14, Robert Gleason ’87, Judy Jarvis (LGBT Center Director, Board Co-Chair), Karen Krahulik ’91, Tobias Rodriguez ’11 and Ruby Nell Sales *75.

In addition to this collection, oral histories of LGBTQ Princetonians were collected as part of the 2013 Every Voice Conference which can be found [here](#).

This collection is arranged alphabetically by first name.

Access

Two transcripts are only available in the reading room at Mudd Library. The rest of the collection is open for research online.
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Other Finding Aid(s)

To explore more oral histories about Princeton's LGBTQIA community please visit the Alumni Association Records Series 4A: Every Voice finding aid.

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition

This collection was transferred to the University Archives in October 2017 by Judy Jarvis, the Director of the LGBT Center.

Appraisal

No materials were separated from this collection.

Processing and Other Information

Preferred Citation

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