

SCHOLARSHIPS

GSA Club Scholarship—The annual GSA Scholarship awards \$1,000 to a current MiraCosta College student who identifies as a member of—or an active ally to—the LGBTQIA+ community.

Joe Maak & Pride Resource Partners LLC Scholarship—\$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to an LGBTQIA+ student or active ally.

Trans* Pride Scholarship—This scholarship provides \$1,000 annually to transgender and gender nonconforming students.

Queer & Trans People of Color (QTPOC) Scholarship—The QTPOC scholarship is the newest scholarship of this group. Fundraising efforts are still underway to ensure the endowment. To donate visit the MiraCosta Foundation.

To apply for any of these, please contact the Scholarship Office or go to miracosta.edu/scholarships.

MENTAL HEALTH

MiraCosta College provides access to a number of mental health resources for both students and employees. Student resources include free and confidential one-on-one counseling with Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) interns. Our mental health team provides trauma-informed and identity-affirming counseling to support LGBTQIA+ students. There are also LGBTQIA+ identifying mental health staff available to students who specifically request a queer therapist.

NAME CHANGE

It's easier than ever to change your name now through your SURF account. Students may also stop by Admissions and Record to submit a paper Preferred Name Change form. The preferred name is the default name automatically used on class rosters and student ID cards, in online courses, and to borrow items from the college library.

GENDER NEUTRAL BATHROOMS



Scan the QR code to get a list of gender neutral restrooms at MiraCosta College campuses.



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LGBTQIA+ RESOURCES



Shaping Minds for Success.



EDUCATION & TRAINING

Safe Space

The Safe Space Training is MiraCosta College's signature multi-module educational series open to the entire district that teaches about the LGBTQIA+ community. Providing a balanced mix of opportunities for hands-on practice and best methods to teach and support alongside helpful research, this training is sure to be a great first step for those wanting to continue their education and those who want to begin their journey of being in solidarity with the LGBTQ+ community.

Request a Training or Consultation

Periodically, special trainings will be offered on various topics related to the LGBTQIA+ community. Departments and organizations are encouraged to reach out if interested in having a training tailored to meeting their needs. One-on-one coaching with faculty members are available by appointment to aid in the creation of inclusive classroom spaces and course materials. To learn more about our services, please contact India Pierce at ipierce@miracosta.edu.

LGBTQIA+ EQUITY ANNUAL EVENTS

SPECTRUM Conference

The Student-Promoted Educational Conference to Reaffirm, Unite and Mentor (SPECTRUM), is a one-day access conference for high school students that promotes awareness of higher education opportunities for LGBTQIA+ students at MiraCosta College. This fun and free event aims to not only demystify the college experience here at MiraCosta but to empower LGBTQIA+ youth.

LGBTQIA+ History Month

Every October we celebrate the accomplishments of LGBTQIA+ identified individuals throughout history, as well as commemorate the challenges faced by many to improve the rights and experiences of the community. To see a list of the events for the month, visit the history and heritage month page on the MiraCosta Student Services web page at miracosta.edu/hhm.

OUT@MIRACOSTA

Out@MiraCosta promotes LGBTQIA+ inclusion by signaling to LGBTQIA+ MiraCosta College students that they have representation and support within the faculty, staff, and administration. This list is not extensive as there are many obstacles that prevent people from being "out" and open about their identity. It is our desire that this list serve as a constant reminder that all LGBTQIA+ people deserve to live in a world where they feel comfortable being open about their identities. If you are interested in learning more visit miracosta.edu/lgbt.

THE REFRESH PROGRAM

Want to have a casual conversation with someone regarding LGBTQIA+ topics? The Refresh Program welcomes the entire MiraCosta community to take a 30-minute pause from their day to enjoy a refreshment and chat about LGBTQIA+ topics. These brief, one-on-one meetings (if you'd like to bring a friend you're welcome) are meant to foster greater connections and provide anyone who is interested with information about the LGBTQIA+ efforts taking place on campus. Meetings can either take place in person on the Oceanside campus or virtually. To sign up and learn more, visit our web page at miracosta.edu/lgbt.



GENDER SEXUALITY ALLIANCE (GSA)

The Gender Sexuality Alliance (GSA) is one of the oldest recognized student clubs at MiraCosta College. The club's mission includes strengthening the LGBTQIA+ community through social activities and community service, promoting acceptance and tolerance by embracing diversity, and advocating for human and civil rights. The GSA club meets regularly during the fall and spring semesters.

Gender Sexuality Alliance

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LIBRARY RESOURCES

The MiraCosta College Library provides free access to scholarly information such as books, journal articles, and online streaming films. Specific resources that may be of interest to members of—or those doing research about—the LGBTQIA+ community are the databases LGBT Life With Full Text and GenderWatch.



SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

Help us keep MiraCosta College safe and free from bias and harm. If you've been the victim of or witnessed any incident of discrimination, hate speech, homophobic, or transphobic behaviors and remarks, file an incident report. This form can also be used to report things such as sexual misconduct, students in distress, and general concern for an individual. Reports can be made anonymous. All information provided will be kept strictly confidential and can be found at the top of LGBTQIA+ Resources page at miracosta.edu/lgbt. If you'd like assistance filling out the form, please contact:

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