LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER STUDIES

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The Harriet Tubman Department of Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies offers an interdisciplinary undergraduate certificate (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/womens-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies-certificate/) and a minor (https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/undergraduate/colleges-schools/arts-humanities/womens-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies/lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-studies-minor/) in LGBTQ Studies. These programs are designed to examine the lives, experiences, identities and representations of LGBTQ persons, those who are today described as having a minority sexual orientation or who are gender transgressive.

The university has two scholarships specifically related to LGBTQ studies and LGBTQ issues: The (https://wgss.umd.edu/academic-programs/undergraduate/scholarships-awards/rodler-wood/) Rodler/ Wood Scholarship (http://wmst.umd.edu/academics/undergraduate-studies/awards-and-scholarships/rodlerwood-scholarship/) is awarded annually based on one or more of the following criteria: demonstrated financial need, hardship based on sexual orientation, academic interest in LGBT Studies, and extracurricular activities on behalf of LGBT issues. The Novak Family TerpStart Endowed Scholarship (https://wgss.umd.edu/academic-programs/undergraduate/scholarships-awards/novak-family-terpstart/) is awarded to an undergraduate student participating in the department’s LGBTQ Studies Program.

For additional information, or to initiate the process of declaring the certificate or minor, please contact the undergraduate advisor at wgss@umd.edu or 301-405-6827.