

THE GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER
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A proposal for a CENTER FOR GAY AWARENESS

Course Proposal: Introduction to Gay Awareness
(12 week course to be team taught)

First Draft for Proposed Weekly Topics:

1. Gay Identity
2. Therapy: New Perspectives
3. The Gay Liberation Movement: Herstory and History
4. Gay Politics
5. Sexism: What is it ? (also Ageism, Elitism and other isms)
6. The Feminist Movement: Impact on Gay Liberation
7. Lesbian Issues
8. Gay Men's Issues
9. Political Lifestyles (Collectivism, etc.)
10. Gay Culture
11. Gay Liberation: Today & Tomorrow
- 12.. Gay Consciousness (Marathon Wrap-up)

Course Description: This course is an attempt to explore the broad issues and concerns of the Gay Liberation Community and to provide a deeper awareness of the historical struggle for a Gay identity.

This course is designed to be offered to both Gay and non-Gay persons and is to be composed of small groups of 8-12. New staff members would go through the course as part of their training for working at the GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER. Non-Gay persons such as mental health professionals, will be encouraged to take the course for a fee. A once a week session would last approximately 3 hours except the final meeting which will be a marathon session.

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