

Team Teesside

Promoting LGBT+ Inclusion through collaboration

Our Approach:

- Formal structure
- Executive Champion
- Stonewall Accreditation
- Collaboration with the LGBT+ Focus Group
- Key events
- Responding to our staff
- Embedding change in policy and practice



Formal Structure:

Executive
Equality &
Inclusion Group

Equality & Inclusion Group

Focus Groups

The Role of the Executive Champion



Stonewall Accreditation



University named one of UK's top LGBT+ employers

⊕ 31 January 2020
 ☐ @TeessideUni

Teesside University has been named as one of the country's top employers for LGBT+ staff.



Our commitment to equality and diversity has been rewarded with our highest ever ranking of 40th in the influential annual Stonewall UK Workplace Equality Index (WEI), a rise of seven places from last year.

This year's survey attracted a record number of submissions with more than 500 employers from across the country seeking to demonstrate their commitment to workplace inclusion.





The LGBT+ Focus Group:





LGBT+ Focus Group staff members ጎ Return to Focus Group

Dominic Dunn

Technical Director, School of Computing & Digital Technologies

I manage the facilities and resources within the School of Computing & Digital Technologies, along with supporting Enterprise and Business Engagement through the TUCan Digital Studio, Recruitment and Marketing and Media Production across the University, I also teach on some of the Media courses and manage the TU-Xtra media brand

I have been chair of the LGBT+ Staff group now for two years and a member for nearly four. I'm incredibly proud of the work the group and the wider University do to celebrate and champion diversity and inclusion for all.



Ang Ramage

Vice-Chair Staff LGBT+ Focus Group

Accommodation & Resources Manager, Campus Services

manage the Student Accommodation Team and we look after the University's accommodation with space for 1,000 students. I also manage the University Cleaning Team who make sure the University always looks at its best.

I have been a member of the LGBT+ Focus Group for over 10 years. It's important that LGBT+ issues are represented within the University community and inclusion is embedded into everything we do.

Comprised of:

- Chair & Vice-Chair
- Senior Management from the University
- Student Union representation
- **Coms Representatives**
- Marketing Representatives
- Other staff from a range of departments

LGBT+ Focus Group Activity:



- Generally raise awareness for LGBTQ+ issues
- Support key calendar events throughout the year
 - Pride
 - LGBTQ+ History Month
 - Trans Day of Remembrance
 - Awareness Days of Visibility
- Facilitate awareness raising workshops with partner organisations
- Affect policy & sit on E&D committee
- Provide confidential support and advice to staff and students

Visibility Days





Celebrating Bisexual Day of Visibility
#teesunipride

LGBTQ+ History Month



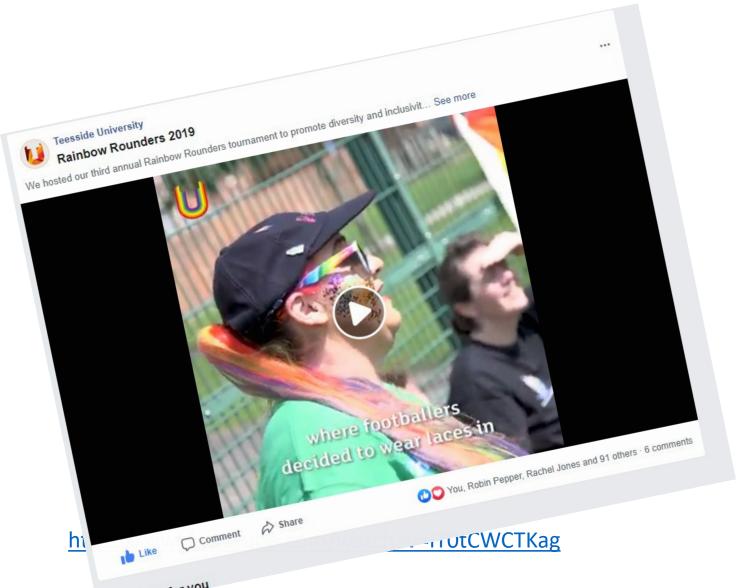




A Coming Out Story NOTYETRATED

See video analytics

Rainbow Rounders



SIGN UP NOW TO BE PART OF THE TEESSIDE UNIVERSITY RAINBOW ROUNDERS TEAM



BATTERS, BOWLERS AND FIELDERS NEEDED!

COMPETING ON

24 2019

TRAINING AND UNIFORM PROVIDED

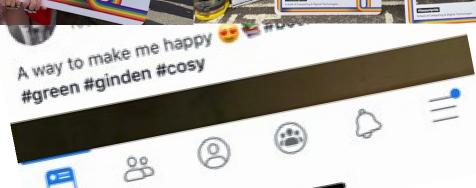
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Trans Week of Remembrance Monday 18 - Saturday 23 November





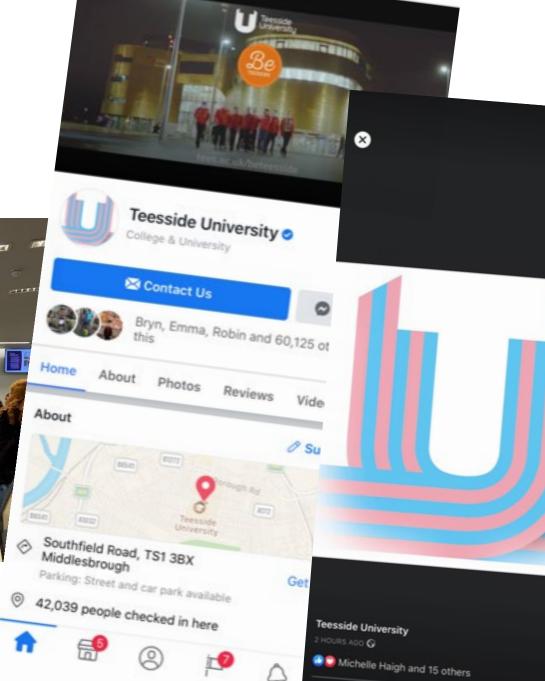
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tees.ac.uk/lgbt to find out more

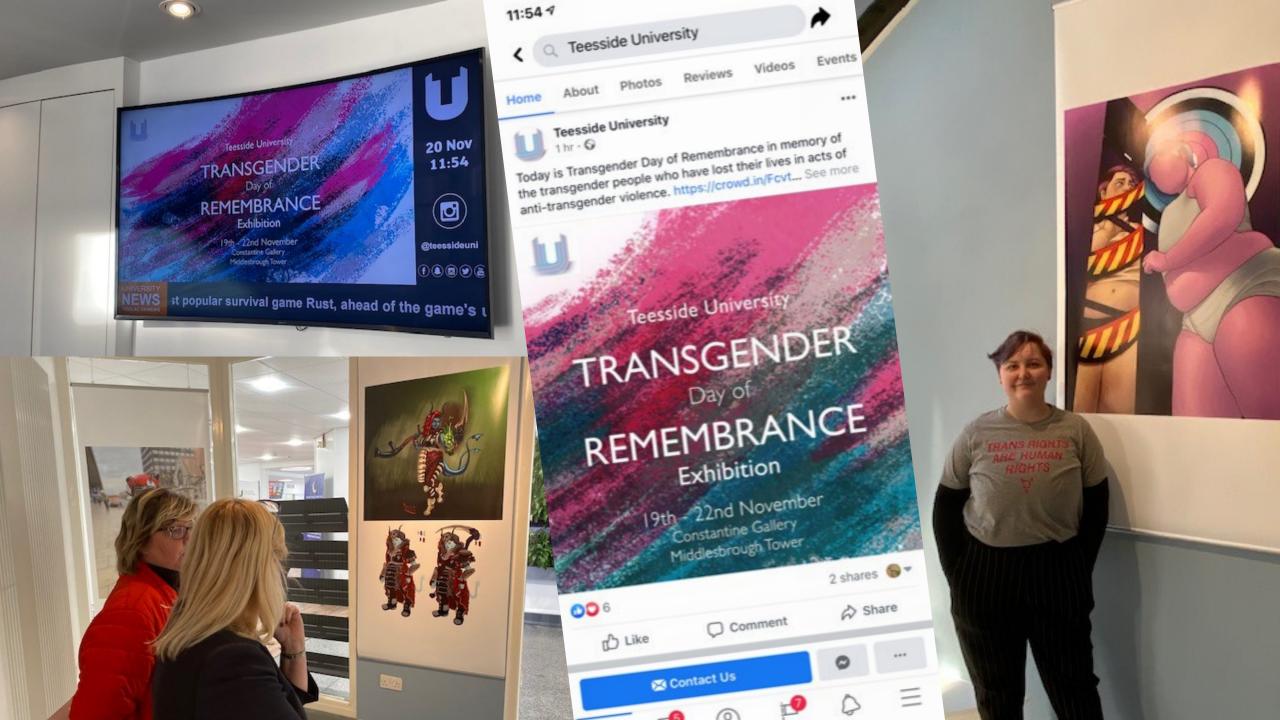






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Working Together

The LGBT+ focus group work alongside HR/Equality & Diversity to raise awareness of LGBT+ issues and break down the barriers that prevent LGBT+ staff and students achieving their potential.

- Acknowledgement through PDPR
- Commitment to inclusion embedded in the values and behaviours framework

Responding to our staff

 Workshops exploring gender with a focus on how to support non-binary staff and students





Measuring Progress



Our Staff Data

- 67.5% of current staff have disclosed their sexual orientation as part of our annual records check
- At recruitment stages 88.1% of candidates are willing to disclose their sexual orientation.

Staff survey information

- 98% of all staff gave a positive response to both of the below questions:
 - I feel the University respects people equally regardless of sexual orientation
 - I feel the University respects people equally regardless of gender reassignment

Focused pulse survey approach

Our next step in measuring engagement

Embedding change in policy & practice



Uniforms

- Range of titles
- Gender neutral language across all HR policies
- Training & Development



Thank You

Q&A