



The mission of the Women's & Gender Resource Center is to promote and foster gender education and equity by providing resources, sponsoring events, and encouraging conversation and dialogue.

DEAR WGRC FRIENDS AND ALLIES—

During 2018-19, the Women's & Gender Resource Center (WGRC) organized and/or co-sponsored **68 programs** with **60 different cosponsors**. In honor of our 10th anniversary, we programmed throughout the year with a theme of Gender and the Environment; this was also the theme for our third annual Gender Week. Gender Week included a discussion of Sandra Steingraber's memoir, *Raising Elijah: Protecting Children in an Age of Environmental Crisis*, facilitated by Julie Vastine from ALLARM; the AAUW Start Smart Salary Negotiation Workshop; a lecture with Sarah McBride, Love, Loss, and the Fight for Trans Equality; An Evening with Writer Linda Hogan; a panel on Women's Environmental Leadership; and a celebration of International Women's Day.

Our annual womxn's retreat, open to female-identified and gender non-binary Dickinson students, faculty, staff and administrators, was focused on *Womxn United: Storytelling and Resistance*. Angelica Mishra '19, Jones '19, Ariel Li '19, and Jordyn Schwartz '21 were the retreat organizers and facilitators. We are grateful to the College Farm for hosting us each year for a program of inspiring discussions, workshops, a bonfire, and Farm pizza!

We were happy to welcome two alumni back to campus this year. Maria Amato Acker '93 was our keynote speaker for Take Back the Night, and Sharaldine Francisco '16 was our keynote for the second annual Latina Discussion Group Spring Celebration.

NEW INITIATIVES THIS YEAR INCLUDED:

- **Inclusivity in STEM planning committee**
This committee, which includes students and faculty in STEM as well as the WGRC, organized several events during the Spring 2019 semester: a kick-off event which included brief talks by Prof. Sarah Bryant and Amara Anigbo '20 and audience Q&A and discussion; a panel of STEM faculty and students who discussed their journeys and the challenges and rewards of STEM fields; and Uniform Convergence, a one-woman play by Corrine Yap, about two women scientists trying to find their way in a white male-dominated academic world.
- **Women's Leadership Program**
In partnership with Anna Baldassarre, Associate Director of Leadership Programs in SLCE, the WGRC piloted an 8-session curriculum. The program was well-received and will be revised and offered again.

The Landis Collective also hosted community dialogues with students, with staff, and with faculty. The fall Share and Shape dialogues were an opportunity for students to share their campus experiences and to shape Dickinson's communal values. These discussions were cosponsored by Student Life, Landis Collective, Institutional Effectiveness & Inclusivity, Sustained Dialogue & SLCE, and were organized by Vincent Stephens,



Above: Creating collages at the Annual Womxn's Retreat
Below: Latina Discussion Group Spring Celebration



Director of the Popel Shaw Center for Race and Ethnicity. The Values and Visions dialogues for faculty and staff were co-organized by the WGRC and PSC and co-sponsored by Student Life, Landis Collective, Institutional Effectiveness & Inclusivity, Office of the Provost, and Human Resources.

Other programming highlights included monthly Faculty Research Lunches, cosponsored with Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies; a robust slate of events for Love Your Body Week, including keynote speaker Sharrell D. Luckett, author of the book and creator of the one-woman show

Young Gifted and Fat: Size, Sexuality & Privilege; and cosponsorship of several Clarke Forum events: Environmental Racism in the Age of Climate Change; Feminist Sorority Girls: A Place for Intersectionality in Tradition?; The Church of the Wild: A New and Old Way of Experiencing Spirituality; Understanding the Impact of Modern Day Segregation; and Blackness in the Dominican Americas.

We continued our student-facilitated monthly Latina Discussion Group meetings, as well as our Witness The Power campaign to support women student-athletes, and partnered on several programs



LANDIS LISTENS: A collaboration with all four Landis offices, this program is a monthly discussion and dinner dedicated to conversation, community building, and action. Discussion topics included: Asian-American Pacific Islander community; queer and trans people of color; minority religious communities; sororities; experiences related to social class; secular, atheist, agnostic and humanist students; and socially and politically conservative and libertarian students. The WGRC hosted two of the discussions: sororities and social class.

LOVE YOUR BODY WEEK

LADYFRINTH ❤️ Monday, Feb. 11 at 12:00pm in the Social Hall
 (Start for over 4,000 years, the Ladyfrinth walk is a self-alignment tool aimed to clear one's mind and give insight. The Ladyfrinth walk will be open from 10:00, with a facilitated walk at noon led by Devna Hughes, CSC.)

KICKOFF SOIREE ❤️ Monday, Feb. 11 from 7-9 pm in Allison Community Room
 Join various campus clubs and organizations to kick off Love Your Body Week with performances, music, dance, food, and love your body activities.

LOVING OUR QUEER & TRANS BODIES ❤️ Tuesday, Feb. 12 from 12:00-1:00 pm in NUG SR 201 & 202
 Relationships to our bodies can be complicated, particularly for LGBTQ+ people. Come learn, think, and share different perspectives on how we engage with our bodies. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP via Eventbrite.

LET'S EAT RECEPTION ❤️ Tuesday, Feb. 12 from 5:30-6:45pm in Stafford Reading Room in the Library
 This is an opportunity to talk with Sharrell Luckett before her 7:30 talk at AFS. Love Your Body Week materials from the authors will be displayed.
 NOTE: Students, if you are 21 or over, bring proper (government issued) identification if you want an alcoholic beverage.

YOUNG GIFTED AND FAT: FROM LIBERATION TO CREATION ❤️ Tuesday, Feb. 12 at 7 pm in AFS
 Sharrell Luckett, scholar and performance artist.
 Young Gifted and Fat author Sharrell Luckett outlines the journey towards self-love through the sharing of narratives that are all once specific and universal. The program is sponsored by the Clarke Forum for Contemporary Issues and co-sponsored by the Churchill Fund. It is part of the Clarke Forum's Leadership in an Age of Uncertainty Series.

LOVE YOUR ATYPICAL BRAIN AND BODY ❤️ Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 11:00am-4pm in Social Hall Center
 Autism and Disability Services will be displaying over 100 posters in and around the HUB of famous people and Dickinsonians with disabilities. There will be a simulation table and photo booth.

PROMOTING WELLNESS ON AND OFF THE FIELD: ❤️ Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 12:00-1:00pm in Stern 102
MENTAL HEALTH, STRESS MANAGEMENT, AND SPORTS NUTRITION
 For athletes and active students, self-care sometimes comes at a low on the priority list. Join Wellness Center staff Misty Taylor, PhD, Licensed Psychologist, and Courtney Hager, PhD, LDN, to learn how mental and nutritional self-care can help you achieve your athletic goals, manage unneeded stress, and stay healthy throughout your athletic and academic career. Lunch will be provided.

PLEASURABLE SEX ❤️ Wednesday, Feb. 13 from 5:00-7:00 pm in Atchison 106
 Come join PALS for a discussion on safe sex, pleasure, and toys with special guests Teresa Barber, Department of Psychology, Programs in Sexoscience and Linda MacDonald, Romance Enhancement Specialist.

LOVE AT LANDIS ❤️ Thursday, Feb. 14 from 11am-1pm in Landis House
 Join us for music and crafts. "Make your body!"

THE WAYS WE LOVE AND HATE OUR BODIES ❤️ Thursday, Feb. 14 at 12:00pm in Social Hall West
 Professor Michelle Ford, Department of Psychology
 In this talk we will explore the ways in which we self-destruct and, more importantly, methods of self-care in order to nurture and show love for our bodies. Bring your own knacks!

GROUP FITNESS CLASSES:
 Fitness Fitness: Tues. Feb. 12 12-13pm HUB Dance Studio
 Opening: Tues. Feb. 13 5:30-6:30pm HUB Dance Studio
 Body Blast: Thurs. Feb. 14 9-10pm HUB Dance Studio

Women's Basketball: Wed. Feb. 12 @ 6:00pm Kline
Men's Basketball: Wed. Feb. 12 @ 8:00pm Kline
Track and Field Dickinson Institutional: Sat. Feb. 16, 10:00am Sibley Field

Cosponsored by Clarke Forum, Women's and Gender Resource Center, Student Life and Campus Engagement, Wellness Center, PLUS the CH, Psych Club, Center for Service, Sexuality and Social Justice, Office of LGBTQ Services, Access and Disability Services, Department of Creative Writing, Theatre & Dance, Psychology, and Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, and the Student Center Library.



WGRC student employees Lizzy Parry and Sophie Ackert tabling at the Kickoff Soirée

related to masculinity, including a screening of *The Mask You Live In*. I also co-coordinated the Common Reading Book discussion; the selection this year was *Educated* by Tara Westover.

The WGRC co-facilitated two faculty development workshops this year with the Popel Shaw Center for Race and Ethnicity: *Inclusive Pedagogies: implicit bias, microaggressions, and the classroom*, and *Inclusive Pedagogies 2.0: Creating an Inclusive Syllabus*. The Landis House Collective facilitated a third workshop: *Costumes and Cultural Appropriation: What Is Your Role?*

It is an honor to continue to work toward social justice and equity by providing resources, sponsoring events, and encouraging conversation and dialogue with the Dickinson community. Thanks for your support of the WGRC's programs and initiatives!

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Women's Environmental Leadership Panel



Carlisle AAUW chapter member Linkey Green and Dickinson AAUW chapter vice-president Angelica Mishra tabling for International Women's Day.

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